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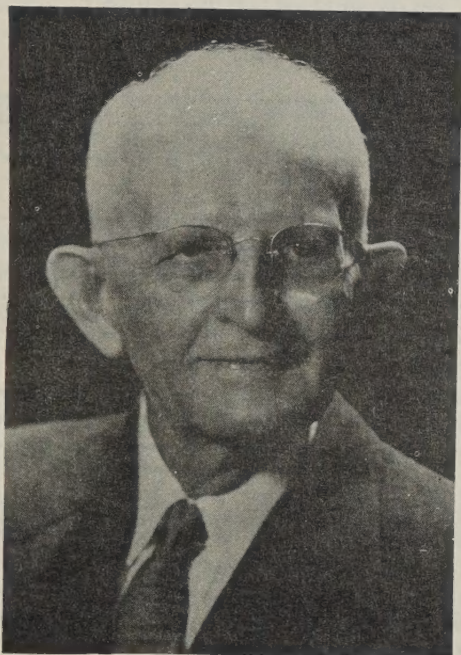


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Moderator Of Synod, 1959

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June 3 - 9, 1959

All sessions of the Synod were held in the chapel of Geneva College.

A devotional period was held each morning for forty minutes immediately following roll call. The program of the Committee on Devotional Exercises which was carried out is as follows:

DEVOTIONAL SERVICES

Theme: Important Considerations with Reference
to the Prayer Meeting

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

The Leadership in the Prayer Meeting

I Chron. 22:12; Jas. 1:5, 6

Speaker ----- Frank H. Lathom

Presiding ----- Joseph Caskey

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

Variety in the Prayer Meeting

I Cor. 14:26; I Pet. 4:10

Speaker ----- Roy Blackwood

Presiding ----- Claude Brown

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

The Use of the Bible in the Prayer Meeting
Ps. 119:18; Acts 17-11

Speaker ----- C. E. Caskey
Presiding ----- George Price

MONDAY, JUNE 8

The Place of Prayer in the Prayer Meeting
Act. 12:5, 12; Eph. 6:18, 19.

Speaker ----- P. D. McCracken
Presiding ----- John Tweed

TUESDAY, JUNE 9

Taking Part in the Prayer Meeting
Ps. 51:15; Ex. 4:10-12

Speaker ----- Alvin W. Smith
Presiding ----- Paul Mathews

SESSION CXXX

Wednesday, June 3, 1959 – 8:00 P. M.

The one hundred thirtieth Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America met pursuant to adjournment in the chapel of Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pa.

R. C. Fullerton, Moderator of the 1958 Synod, preached the opening sermon from the text Isaiah 54:2 using the theme, "Love and Faith for the Lord."

At the conclusion of the sermon, the Synod was constituted in prayer by the retiring Moderator, R. C. Fullerton.

The roll was called and is as follows with the record of attendance throughout Synod.

ROLL OF SYNOD 1959**Ministers****Elders****Field**

W. J. Adams	Kansas City	XXXXXXXXXX
F. E. Allen		XXXXXXXXXX
Frank Beard	Stafford	XXXXXXXXXX
Paul D. Bennett	Allegheny	-----XX
C. E. Belles	First Beaver Falls	XXXXXXXXXX
J. G. Betts	Santa Ana	XXXXXXXXXX
J. Guy Black	Clarinda	X XXXXXXXX
Roy Blackwood, Jr.	Bloomington	XXXXXXXXXX
Claude C. Brown	Selma	XXXXXXXXXX

W. J. Burns	Almonte	XXXXXXXXXX
C. T. Carson	Clarinda	XXXX XXXX
David M. Carson	Geneva College	XXXX XXXX
James D. Carson	Central Pittsburgh	XXXXXXXXXX
M. K. Carson	Belle Center	XXXXXXXXXX
Norman M. Carson	Geneva College	XXXX XXXX
C. E. Caskey	Wilkinsburg	XXX XXXXX
Joseph M. Caskey	Stafford	XXXXXX X
R. W. Caskey	Winchester	XXXXXXXXXX
Charles H. Chao		XXXXXXXXXX
George S. Coleman	Geneva College	XXXXXXXXXX
John Coleman		XXXXXXXXXX
Philip L. Coon	Chicago	XXXXXXXXXX
E. Clark Copeland	Cyprus Mission	XXXX XX X
Logan M. Crowe	Union	-XX X
Hershel Cypher	Parnassus	-----XXX
Joseph Dickey	New York	XXXXXXXXXX
M. W. Dougherty	Denison	XX XXXXXX
John O. Edgar	Sharon	X XXXe Xee
Kermit S. Edgar	Allegheny	XXXXXXXXX X
D. H. Elliott		XXXXXXXXXX X
D. Howard Elliott	First Beaver Falls	XXXXXXXXXX
Leslie D. Fallon	Geneva	XXXXX-----
Paul E. Faris	Sterling	XXXXXXXXXX
Ucal Faris	Bloomington	XXXXXXXXXX
Donald W. Felker	Orlando	XXXXXXXXXX
B. M. Ferguson	Hopkinton	XXXXXXXXX X
Edward Forest	Orlando	XXXXXXXXXX
Chester R. Fox	Allegheny	XXXXXX-----
R. C. Fullerton	Seminary	XXXXXXXXXX
Robert Fullerton	Parnassus	XXXXXXXXXX
Elmer S. Graham	Quinter	XXXXXXXXXX
Harold B. Harrington	New Castle	X X X
Milton Harrington	Hebron	X eeee X
Herbert A. Hays	Geneva	XXXXXXXXXX
E. R. Hemphill	Hetherton	XXXXe e e e e
George L. Henning	Belle Center	XXXXX
R. A. Henning	New York	XXXXXXXXXX
J. A. Hill		X
Chester T. Hutcheson	Olathe	XXXXXXXXXX
T. R. Hutcheson	Superior	XXXXXXXXXX
Raymond P. Joseph	San Diego	XXXXXXXXXX
Kenneth Kennedy	New Castle	X XXXX
L. E. Kilpatrick	Phoenix	XXXXXXXXXX
Frank H. Lathom	College Hill	XXXXXXXXXX
J. Russell Lathom	Geneva	-----XXX
Ross Latimer	Esbridge	XXXXXXX
Charles Marshall	Bear Run-Mahoning	XXXXXXXXXX
R. Paul Mathews	Hopkinton	XXXXXXXXXX
Edwin H. McBurney	Montclair	XXXX
W. J. McClay	Third Philadelphia	XXXXXXXXXX
R. S. McCloy	Fresno	XXXXX ee

Donald C. McClurkin	Topeka	XXXXXXXXXX
W. C. McClurkin		XXXXXXXXXX
J. Paul McCracken	Eastvale	XXXXXXXXXX
Paul D. McCracken	United Philadelphia	XXXXXXXXXX
Robert McCracken	Syracuse	XXXXXXXXXX
Robert McCrory	Sterling	XXXXXXXXXX
J. E. McElroy	Morning Sun	XXXXXXXX X
Walter McElwain	Rose Point	X
A. J. McFarland	Christian Amendment	
	Movement	XXXXXXXXXX
Armour McFarland	Union	XXXXXXXXXX
George McFarland	New Alexandria	XXXXXXXXXX
Glenn McFarland	Santa Ana	XXXXXXXXXX
Luther B. McFarland	Montclair	XXXXXXXXXX
Marion L. McFarland	Connellsville	XXXX XXXX
John S. McIsaac	College Hill	XXXXX XX
H. E. McKelvy	Central Pittsburgh	XXXXXXXXXX
R. H. McKelvy	Lochiel	XXXXXXXXXX
R. J. G. McKnight	Seminary	XXXX XXXX
T. C. McKnight		XXXXXXXXXX
John M. McMillan	Coldenham	XXXXXXXXXX
R. W. McMillan	Wichita	XXXXXXXXXXe
Willard G. McMillan	Geneva College	XX XXXXX
J. C. Mitchel		XXXXXXXXXX
Waldo Mitchel	Walton	XXXXXXXXXX
H. G. Patterson		X XXXX
J. R. Patterson	National Reform	
	Association	X XXXXXXXX
George Price	Third Philadelphia	XXXXXXXXXX
William Ramsey	Syracuse	XXXXXXXXXee
F. F. Reade	Almonte	XX XXXXXXX
Andrew D. Robb	Topeka	XXXXXXXXXX
Donald I. Robb	Cambridge	XXXXXXXXXX
G. M. Robb	Kansas City	XXXXXXXXXX
R. Paul Robb	Los Angeles	XXXXXX XX
S. J. Robinson	Newburgh	XXXXXXXXXX
Robert A. Russell	Walton	XXXXXXXXXX
A. W. Smith	Oakdale	XXXXXXXXXX
Kenneth G. Smith	Young Peoples'	
	Secretary	XXXXXXXXXX
R. E. Smith	Los Angeles	XXXXX XX
Vance R. Smith	Union	X—————
R. W. Speer	Greeley	XXXXXXXXXX
Charles S. Sterrett	Newburgh	XXXXXX XX
Bruce C. Stewart	Greeley	XXXXXXX X
Frank L. Stewart	Olathe	XXXXXXX X
Reid W. Stewart	Parnassus	XXXXX———
R. H. Stohner	Wilkinsburg	X
Harold F. Thompson	Southfield	XXXXXXXXXX
John H. Tweed	Youngstown	X XXXXXXXX
Robert B. Tweed	Geneva College	XXXX XXXe
J. G. Vos	Geneva College	XXXXX Xee

D. C. Ward		X X X
Boyd A. White	Hot Springs	XXXXXXXXXX
Paul D. White	Quinter	XXXXXXXXXX
D. R. Wilcox	Geneva College	XXXXXXXXXe
J. B. Willson	Seminary	XXXXXXXX X
S. Bruce Willson	Seminary	XXXXXXXXXX
J. Paul Wilson	Barnet	XXXXXXeee
Thomas J. Wilson	White Lake	XXXXXXXXXX
Merlin Wing	Denison	XXXXXXXXXX
Ministers - 79		
Elders - 39		

Ministers Absent - W. O. Ferguson, T. M. Hutcheson, O. F. Thompson, Philip W. Martin, Samuel Edgar, Walter McCarroll, Julius Kempf, Robert Clarke, C. A. Dodds, C. C. Christou, Khalil Awad, R. S. McElhinney, M. S. McMillan, S. E. Boyle, Gene W. Spear, Walter J. Magee, J. K. Robb, J. D. Edgar, E. G. Russell, R. A. Blair, E. L. McKnight, Robert Park, Hagop Sagherian, Argos Zodhiates, Ibrahim Besna, D. D. Hansen, Melville W. Martin, J. K. Gault, J. G. McElhinney, Toshio Masunaga.

Congregations Not Represented - Bethel, Old Bethel, Lake Reno, Winnipeg, Cache Creek, Denver, Cornwallis, Jonathan's Creek, New Concord, Portland, Seattle, Mercer, Rehoboth, Lisbon.

R. Paul Mathews, ordained and installed pastor of the Hopkinton, Iowa congregation, October 30, 1958, was presented to the Court as a member for the first time.

Edward Forest of Orlando, **W. J. McClay of Third Philadelphia**, **Merlin Wing of Denison**, **Charles M. Marshall of Bear Run-Mahoning**, and **Leslie D. Fallon of Geneva** were introduced to the Court as elder delegates to Synod for the first time. **W. J. Adams of Kansas City**, an elder for 54 years, was introduced to the Court.

In the election that followed, **M. K. Carson** was elected moderator. **D. Howard Elliott** and **Waldo Mitchel** were elected clerk and assistant clerk.

The report of the clerk was read, adopted and is as follows:

CLERK'S REPORT

The clerk for the 1958 Synod would report that since the meeting of Synod the following items have been attended to.

Letters have been sent as directed and such replies as were received have been kept on file.

The minutes of the 1958 Synod were edited and published by the clerk. The Louisa Publishing Company of Wapello, Iowa printed 750 copies of the Minutes with comparatively few mistakes. In the Nominating Committee's report on page 135 the "Committee to Study Item No. 3 of the report of the Elder's Conference." should read, "Committee to Study Item No. 4 . . .". On page 142, paragraph four, the first sentence should read, "In every community the forces of evil and the forces of good vie

for political control." Other typographical errors in spelling which were not caught in proofreading are of comparative insignificance.

Bids were received from three printing establishments for the printing of the 1959 Minutes of Synod. The bid of J. R. Patterson of the National Reform Press was accepted after consultation with Mr. Fox.

The Docket for this meeting of Synod was prepared by the clerk and is available here at a cost of 15¢ each.

Recommendations:

1. That the order of business and the hours of meeting as named in the Docket be accepted for this meeting of Synod.

2. That the report of the Committee on Devotional Exercises as printed in the Docket be adopted.

3. That the precentor for this meeting of Synod be Robert B. McCracken.

4. That the parliamentarians for this Synod be R. C. Fullerton, A. W. Smith and L. B. McFarland.

5. That the Committee on Announcements be Armour McFarland, Edward Forest and Merlin Wing.

6. That Presbyteries be granted the privilege of meeting during the intervals of Synod.

7. That the sermon of the retiring moderator be requested for publication in the *Covenanter Witness*.

8. That an offering to defray the expenses of Synod be taken Monday morning following the Devotional Service.

9. That Norman M. Carson represent Synod to the local news agencies.

10. That the following items be referred to the Committee on Nominations:

(a) An alternate to preach the moderator's sermon at the opening of next Synod.

(b) A Committee on Arrangements for the next meeting of Synod.

(c) Those to whom and by whom letters of remembrance should be sent.

(d) A Committee on Devotional Exercises for next Synod.

(e) A Committee on the Signs of the Times.

(f) A Committee on Time and Place for the 1961 meeting of Synod.

(g) A Committee on Political Dissent.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Howard Elliott, Clerk

Synod was adjourned in prayer by the moderator elect, M. K. Carson.

Thursday, June 4, 1959

8:45 A. M

Synod met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted in prayer by P. D. McCracken.

The roll was called.

Logan M. Crowe was seated as the delegate from the Union Congregation in place of Vance Smith.

Following the devotional service, the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

R. W. Speer of Greeley was introduced as a former delegate to Synod but representing the Greeley congregation for the first time.

A memorial service was held in memory of the ministers and elders who had passed away since the last meeting of Synod. The memoir for W. J. McBurney was prepared and read by F. F. Reade. The memoir for R. H. Martin was prepared and read by J. R. Patterson. The memoir for D. R. Taggart was prepared and read by M. W. Dougherty. The memoir for J. B. Thwing was prepared and read by J. B. Willson. These memoirs are found in the appendix to the Minutes. The death of J. G. Reed, a former pastor in the Reformed Presbyterian Church, was noted.

The deaths of the following elders were recognized: James M. Keys of Belle Center, E. J. M. Dickson of Cambridge, Boyd Wallace of Stafford, Alex Parke of Lochiel, Easson Shanklin of Southfield, S. O. Carson formerly of Wyman and Alex Andrews formerly of Blanchard.

Paper No. 1 from Pacific Coast Presbytery requesting that reports to Synod be distributed throughout the Church ten days before Synod was referred to the Long Range Committee.

Paper No. 2 from Ohio Presbytery requesting a review of the sixth term of Communion was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Paper No. 3 from Philadelphia Presbytery concerning the private administration of the communion in private homes in the presence of certain church officers was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Paper No. 4 from Pittsburgh Presbytery, a disapproval of the report of the Judicial Committee of last year on the political question, was referred to the parliamentarians.

Paper No. 5 from Pittsburgh Presbytery regarding a modified plan for the meeting of Synod was referred to the Long Range Committee.

The report of the Trustees of Synod was read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The financial reports of the Foreign Mission Board, Minutes of Synod, Woman's Association, Women's Synodical Missionary Society, and Jewish Mission Board were read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A rising vote of thanks was given the Woman's Association for its success in raising funds for the Aged People's Home.

The moderator announced the following committee appointments:

COMMITTEES APPOINTED BY THE MODERATOR

Nominations:

R. W. McMillan
J. Paul McCracken
Philip L. Coon
Easson McKelvy
Edward Forest

Judicial:

Bruce C. Stewart
A. W. Smith
Joseph M. Caskey
A. D. Robb
Kenneth Kennedy

Finance:

G. M. Robb
George S. Coleman
R. Paul Mathews
J. G. Betts
George McFarland

Courtesy:

Harold F. Thompson
Reid Stewart
Glenn McFarland

Resolution of Thanks:

Robert Fullerton
Donald R. McClurkin
Merlin Wing

COMMITTEES TO EXAMINE RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

Iowa

Claude C. Brown
R. H. McKelvy
R. W. Speer

Illinois

J. C. Mitchel
Marion L. McFarland
Chester T. Hutcheson

Midwest

Luther B. McFarland
Donald I. Robb
William Ramsey

Pittsburgh

Thomas J. Wilson
J. E. McElroy
Robert A. Russell

Ohio

John H. Tweed
Lester E. Kilpatrick
J. Guy Black

St. Lawrence

E. Raymond Hemphill
Donald W. Felker
Charles Marshall

Pacific Coast

Paul D. White
J. B. Willson
Leslie D. Fallon

Philadelphia

Paul E. Faris
John O. Edgar
John S. McIsaac

New York

T. R. Hutcheson
F. F. Reade
R. E. Smith

Syrian Commission

D. R. Wilcox
John M. McMillan
Robert McCrory

Cyprus Commission

Boyd A. White
George Price
Ucal Faris

Far East Commission

Frank L. Stewart
R. W. Caskey
W. J. McClay

The report of the Coordinating Committee was partially read and laid on the table until copies were available to all.

The report of the Board of Church Erection was read, adopted, referred to the Nominating Committee and is as follows:

BOARD OF CHURCH ERECTION

We rejoice in the new work that is being started in the Covenant Church; we also rejoice in the enlarged facilities that are now being required by some of our long-established congrega-

tions. Wichita has not drawn from our funds this year; but we are glad that Church Erection Board funds have helped those who were responsible for Wichita, to complete their building. A chapel at Manchester was erected last summer, with help from our Board. A number of congregations have built or excavated or otherwise repaired their buildings.

We began the church year with a balance of \$29,599.50. Because of this balance, we did not ask to participate in Synod's Budget this past year.

Repayments on loans have been made by First Beaver Falls, Central-Pittsburgh, Eastvale, Hebron, Lake Reno, Manchester Mission Station, Montclair, New Castle, Phoenix, Portland, Quinter, Syracuse, Topeka, United Philadelphia, and Wilkinsburg; and also by Dr. S. Bruce Willson, President of the Seminary. These re-payments totalled \$8,353.09.

We received \$92.91 from interest on loans; \$204.00 in dividends from the Church's endowments; \$740.23 in dividends from the David Gregg Fund; \$1,067.19 from the John L. Wright estate; and \$900.00 from the Mary Allen estate.

These repayments, dividends, and bequests, together with our balance on April 1, 1958, resulted in a grand total of \$40,956.92 at our disposal during the year. Much of this has been put to use.

The Parnassus congregation assumed responsibility for the erection of a chapel on the site of the old Manchester church east of New Kensington. An attractive building now stands on the property, and a splendid work has been started in that community—some six miles out from our Parnassus congregation. Our Board made a loan of \$1,500 and a grant of \$1,000 on this project.

Winchester congregation was compelled to put a new foundation under their church building. While they were in the process of being torn up, they made some very worth while changes in their basement and also in their sanctuary. We loaned them \$4,500 toward the cost of this remodelling.

Because of a rapidly growing Sabbath School, and an increasing church attendance, Hetherton found it necessary to "lengthen their cords" to the extent of building an addition to their Sabbath School room, and of putting a basement under their Sabbath School room and new addition. We felt that the congregation was making a valiant effort to do as much of this work as they possibly could. We were happy to make them a loan of \$5,500, and a grant of \$1,000.

A loan of \$2,300 to New Castle enabled them to make needed repairs on their manse, and put their church properties in fine condition.

Eastvale found it necessary to replace the roof on their church building. Our Board loaned them \$1,500 for this purpose.

Kansas City has found it necessary to enlarge and remodel

their basement to meet growing needs. The Church Erection Board loaned them \$10,000.

We extended an additional loan of \$5,000 to Topeka, thereby making possible ■ substantial reduction in their annual interest payments on their commercial loan.

In 1927 the Church Erection Board made available to Bear Run-Mahoning, the sum of \$1,000 for repairs on the Johnsonburg parsonage. The mortgage called for ten annual re-payments of \$50 each. Although it is nowhere specifically stated, our Board is assuming that the remaining \$500 was intended as a grant. We have therefore released the mortgage on the Johnsonburg parsonage property in order to give it clear title for sale.

Quinter congregation is faced with the expense of paving and curbing taxes on its church property. The back 150 feet of their church lot, which was once used for horse sheds, has fallen into dis-use. In order that they might have less property to tax, and in order that they might have funds with which to meet the taxes that will be imposed to meet the expense of paving and curbing, they requested—and received from Presbytery—permission to sell the back 150 feet of their lot. Our Board granted them a “partial release” on their mortgage, thereby clearing from mortgage the back 150 feet of their church lot.

We began the church year with a balance of \$29,599.50. We close the church year with ■ balance of \$8,656.92. Because of increasing costs of building and repairing, our Board feels that we should carry as large a balance as is feasible. To this end we are asking \$3,000 from Synod’s Budget for the present church year.

The terms of W. J. Adams, T. J. Humphreys, Clyde A. Redpath, and F. L. Stewart have expired, and Synod should choose their successors.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. Robb, President
Clyde A. Redpath, Secretary

The report of the Board of Pensions was read, adopted, referred to the Nominating Committee and is as follows:

BOARD OF PENSIONS REPORT

The Board of Pensions would respectfully report that it has tried faithfully to carry out its duties during the past year.

In response to Synod’s directive of last year, that the Boards of the Church outline in writing their purpose and objectives, the Pensions Board formulated this statement of Purpose:

1. To provide a dependable base for financial security for the full-time ministers of the Covenanter Church upon retirement.
2. To provide for special needs of ministers who may at any time become disabled or sick and unable to earn a livelihood.
3. To provide additional assistance in cases of special need.

4. To provide financial assistance for the minister's widow or orphans.

During 1958, 16 ministers received regular payments from Ministerial Relief Funds. One minister has died but two other names were added to this group. Total pension payments to ministers this past year amounted to \$11,435.00.

Ten widows received payments amounting to \$6,370.00 from the Widows and Orphans Fund.

The Board has been called upon to meet some special needs during the year. This has been done either by increasing the monthly benefit or by making a special grant to cover an emergency. Our ministers should be aware that the Pension Board can and does help out in cases of special need and appreciates having such situations called to its attention.

The Presbyterian Ministers' Fund Insurance Company which carries the pension contracts on some 33 of our eligible ministers recently came out with a new policy which provides a Disability Clause. This provision would mean that in case of total disability the insured would receive \$50.00 per month as long as the disability continued. When the person reached the retirement age the contract would mature and he would begin to draw the \$50.00 Retirement income as long as he lived. The Pension Board carefully considered this matter and inasmuch as the premiums were not substantially larger the Board decided to adopt this new policy for all contracts taken out after Jan. 1, 1958, the date this became available.

The terms of Lloyd Edgar and Ralph Wilson expire this year and their successors should be chosen.

J. Ralph Wilson, Secretary

The report of the Committee on Long Range Planning was made the order of the day immediately following the noon recess.

The report of the Stated Clerk was read, amended, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STATED CLERK

There are enrolled 9 Presbyteries, 73 Congregations, 102 Ministers, 11 Theological Students, 4672 Communicant Members, 4932 in Sabbath School, 652 in Young People's Societies, 1449 Tithers, 21 Foreign Missionaries, 56 Parsonages, 324 Elders, 359 Deacons or Trustees.

Congregations

There are 72 Congregations and 6 Mission Stations in the Home Field, 57 have Pastors or Stated Supplies, 15 Congregations are without the care of a Pastor or Stated Supply.

Ministers

There are enrolled 102 Ministers, 56 are in Congregations as Pastors or Stated Supply, 4 are in Foreign Fields, 2 in Reform Work, 2 in Business, 13 in Educational Work, 24 Retired, 1 Young People's Secretary, and 4 Licentiates.

Kenneth A. McBurney was licensed May 27, 1958 at Kansas

City, Kansas; Jerry Hayenga was licensed August 18, 1958 at Los Angeles, Calif.; Reid Stewart was licensed May 20, 1958 at New Kensington, Pa., to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Rev. John M. McMillan was released from the Pastoral Charge of the Old Bethel Congregation September 8, 1958; Rev. R. W. McMillan was released from the Pastoral Charge of the Fresno Congregation January 26, 1959; Rev. T. Richard Hutcheson was released from the Pastoral Charge of the Rose Point Congregation February 28, 1959. J. C. Mitchel was released from the Pastoral Charge of the Denver Congregation August 30, 1958.

R. Paul Mathews was ordained and installed Pastor of the Hopkinton, Iowa Congregation October 30, 1958; Marion McFarland was ordained and installed Pastor of the Connellsville Congregation June 4, 1958.

Rev. Paul White was installed Pastor of the Quinter Congregation, August 11, 1958; Rev. T. Richard Hutcheson was installed Pastor of the Superior Congregation March 27, 1959; Rev. John McMillan was installed Pastor of the Coldenham Congregation October 14, 1958.

Dr. D. Ray Taggart was called Home November 12, 1958, at Topeka, Kansas; Rev. Frank D. Frazer was called Home June 30, 1958, at Portland, Oregon; Dr. R. H. Martin was called Home October 23, 1958, at Pittsburgh, Pa., and Rev. W. J. McBurney was called Home July 31, 1958, at Sierra Madre, Calif.

Membership

The Home Church reports a total membership of 6214 consisting of the following 4672 Communicant Members, 102 Ministerial Members, and 1440 Baptized Members not Communicants.

The following Presbytery reports an increase in membership: Illinois 4. The following Presbyteries report a loss in membership: Iowa 12, Midwest 22, New York 4, Ohio 22, Pacific Coast 6, Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 41, and St. Lawrence 5, total 117 or net loss of 113 members.

Finances

The Church asked for \$118,650.00 to carry on its work for 1959. We raised \$113,039.00 which was \$24.19 per member. Foreign Missions received \$22,655.00 or \$4.90 per member.

Congregational Treasurers report receipts of \$580,558.00 and disbursements of \$586,846.00 of which \$192,509.00 was for Pastors' salaries, American Bible Society \$3,035.00. Special Covenanters Appeals \$35,160.00, and National Reform Association \$4,175.00.

Respectfully submitted,
Chester R. Fox
Stated Clerk

The Clerk of Synod was instructed to prepare a sheet of instructions to be sent out with the statistical blanks to congregations for their reports to Synod.

Item No. 1 of Unfinished Business, Letters of Remembrance, was reported attended to.

Item No. 3 of Unfinished Business, the report of the representative to the Synod of the Associate Presbyterian Church was orally presented by J. G. Vos.

Item No. 4 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on a New Bible Translation, was read, adopted, and is as follows:

Committee on a New Bible Translation

Only one letter was received during the year and it was answered by the chairman.

We recommend that the committee be continued.

C. E. Caskey

J. B. Willson

J. G. Vos

Item No. 8 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on a New Sketches of the Ministers, was orally presented, adopted and the committee continued.

Recess was taken in prayer by Reid Stewart.

Thursday – 1:30 P. M.

Synod reconvened in prayer by Ucal Faris.

The roll was called.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Paper No. 6 from Pacific Coast Presbytery asking for a Correspondence Course on Church Standards was referred to the Seminary Board.

Robert W. McCrory was presented to the Court as the elder delegate from Sterling to Synod for the first time.

Inasmuch as the report which was the order of the day was not ready, Unfinished Business was taken up. Item No. 9, the report of the Committee to Publish a Psalter Selection Book, was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO PREPARE A NEW SELECTION BOOK

Synod's committee to prepare a Psalm selection book would respectfully report that the book is now in the hands of the artist, engraver, and printer, who plan to have it ready for use in our summer conferences.

The assigned task of the committee will be completed as soon as proof is read, and the proof is expected to arrive soon.

The committee met weekly for periods of about three hours each from the second Thursday in September through the second Thursday in April to consider the size and general format of the book, the Psalms and verses to be used, and procedures toward

publication. After considerable correspondence, the chairman traveled to Chicago in February for personal interview with Miss Lois Reid, art editor of HIS magazine, and with Mr. Mlady of Rayner, Dalheim and Company, publishers of the 1950 BOOK OF PSALMS WITH MUSIC and subsequent reprints. Both agreed to undertake the work and were engaged by the committee to do so.

Although an exact statement of the cost is impossible until Miss Reid submits a bill for her services as type artist, the committee expects fifty or sixth cents a copy will cover the expense of the first printing with a comfortable margin for shipping charges.

The committee would request the continued prayers and co-operation of the members of Synod until its work has been completed.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Smith, Chairman
David Carson
Charles McBurney

In connection with this report, the Synod engaged in singing of Psalm 121.

Item No. 10 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee for a Pastor's Refresher Course was read, adopted, referred to the Finance and Nominating Committies and is as follows:

PASTOR'S REFRESHER COURSE

Two years ago the suggestion was made to the Synod that it would be the part of wisdom to invest at least a little of the Church's money in providing study courses for our present pastors, our grass-roots leaders who bear so much of the responsibility for the work of evangelism, the indoctrination of our people, the general spiritual health of the Church, and its growth or lack of growth.

The thought was, that our pastors might be brought together in a "Refresher Course" and that men who were recognized experts in their fields might be brought in to lead the studies, so that our pastors might have the benefit of the best possible instruction.

The Synod of 1957 appointed a committee to provide for a Pastor's Refresher Course; and the Synod of 1958 appropriated \$2,000.00 from the Budget for this purpose. As was true with other departments that were not preferred claims, the Pastor's Refresher Course received 90½%, or \$1,810.00. Of this amount, a total of \$1,439.48 was used. An account of expenditures is included with this report.

The program that was arranged was the result of suggestions by pastors, both on the committee and outside the committee. Phases of the pastor's work were presented, for which there seemed to be the greatest need.

Devotions were led by Armour McFarland, Harold Harrington, John Tweed, Robert Fullerton, and Marion McFarland. We were

directed in the study of the 6th chapter of John's Gospel, as we viewed "Jesus Himself . . . Feeding, Delivering, Declaring Enduring and Challenging."

On Thursday, May 28th, the subject of "Pastoral Calling" was dealt with by Dr. W. Curry Mavis, professor of pastoral work in the John Wesley Seminary Foundation in Asbury Theological Seminary.

Friday, the guest speaker was Dr. Dean A. Dalton, Director of Education Services of Gospel Light Press. Dr. Dalton dealt with the work of our Sabbath Schools.

On Saturday, the Young People's phase of church work was studied, under the direction of the Rev. Ronald G. Frase, youth director of Berkeley Presbyterian Church.

The Friday and Saturday evening meetings, on Sabbath School work and Youth work, respectively, were open to the public. The Friday evening meeting was held in our Central-Pittsburgh Church. The Saturday evening meeting was held in the Wilksburg Church.

Dr. J. G. Vos was the speaker on Monday, June first. He discussed Baptism and Faith Healing. Those attending the Pastor's Refresher Course requested that a part of his material be made available in mimeographed form, if the committee in charge deems this wise. An amount not to exceed \$100.00 was voted for this purpose, to be used at the discretion of the committee.

On Tuesday, the subject of Pastoral Counselling was discussed by Dr. Thomas H. McDill, professor of Pastoral Counseling at Columbia Theological Seminary, Decatur, Georgia.

On each of the five afternoons when the Pastor's Refresher Course was in session, the Rev. Kenneth G. Smith led us in studies dealing with the devotional life of our people.

On Thursday night and on Monday night, Dr. D. Howard Elliott led discussions concerning the Future of the Church.

Most of the pastors who attended, felt that they were helped by these discussions and studies together. One pastor states, "For those of us who are pastors and are 'giving out' so much of the time, it is a real treat to have an opportunity to sit at the feet of others and be instructed. The Pastor's Refresher Course provided such an occasion; and it proved to be, for those present, a rich and profitable experience. The fellowship was delightful, the food and accomodations very satisfying, and the program most interesting and challenging."

Another pastor states: "It has stimulated pastors to attempt new methods and to put forth greater effort in searching out the lost and in caring for souls. A number who attended, feel that the Church can make no wiser investment of money than that necessary to provide such a course."

We take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to the

Synod and to the Church for making this Pastor's Refresher Course possible. We are grateful to the young ministers from Pittsburgh Presbytery who led us in devotions, and to all who participated in the program—including Marion McFarland's instructions in Gospel Magic. We want to express our appreciation to Geneva College for making cots available; and to the Seminary Board for the use of the Seminary building and its facilities. We would make special mention of the services rendered by the Rev. James D. Carson who took charge of providing transportation for our guest speakers; and of the splendid co-operation by Dr. S. Bruce Willson, president of our Seminary, who assisted in so many ways.

Some 38 ministers attended virtually all the time; and there was a total enrollment of 55.

We recommend: That the Synod plan for a Pastor's Refresher Course in 1961, and that a committee be appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. Robb
Lester E. Kilpatrick
Donald R. McClurkin
Bruce C. Stewart
Clyde A. Redpath

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE PASTOR'S REFRESHER COURSE

Received from Synod's Budget \$1,810.00

Expenditures:

Groceries	\$	187.15
Linens, cost	\$33.17	9.17
assessments ..	24.00	
Travel expense of speakers		423.47
Honoraria to guest speakers		310.00
Wages paid to other workers		281.00
Hotel rooms for guest speakers		59.69
Advertising expenses		60.49
Gift Psalters to guest speakers		7.00
Reserved for mimeographing Vos' materials		100.00

1,437.97

Balance on Hands \$ 372.03

Item No. 12 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee to Study the Possibility of a New Explanatory Declaration was read, and laid on the table until Monday following the noon recess. The committee was authorized to secure legal advice.

The report of the Foreign Mission Board was read and taken up item by item. Items 1, 2, 3, and 4 were adopted. Item 5 was laid on the table until after the report of the Long Range Committee was heard. Item No. 6 was referred to the Nominating Committee.

The report of the Long Range Committee was read.
Synod was adjourned in prayer by R. Paul Mathews.

Friday, June 5, 1959 - 8:45 A. M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted in prayer by C. T. Carson.

The roll was called.

Following the devotional service, the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The report of the Woman's Association was read by Mrs. J. B. Willson, adopted and is as follows:

SIXTY-SECOND ANNUAL REPORT OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

This is the sixty-second annual report of work done in the Association as a Board of Directors managing the Reformed Presbyterian Home for Aged People at 2344 Perrysville Avenue, North Side, Pittsburgh, Pa. Through sixty-two years our kind Heavenly Father of us hath mindful been, and He will bless us still. The Board of Directors especially thank Him for His goodness in guiding us from month to month.

In May, immediately after the rush of the annual reports we laid plans for the dedication of our addition. This delightful event occurred two years to the day from the time that ground was broken for the addition to our Home. The architect handed the keys to the co-chairmen of the Building Committee, Mrs. R. H. George and Mrs. John Hickey. The chapel-lounge had all the extra chairs it could accomodate, and many friends sat or stood in the halls unable to see or hear much of the program. Tea was served to all guests under the direction of Mrs. John Anderson. The major portion of work on the new building was completed in time for the Dedication Ceremony, June 7, 1958. Plans for the landscaping were drawn by Mr. Ezra C. Stiles, landscape architect. The landscape and stone work was done by the H. C. Sarver Company.

Considerable decoration has been done in the older buildings. The hallways were painted to match the adjoining halls of the new building. Twelve bedrooms and one bath were repainted and new curtains furnished for the rooms in the old buildings.

We are grateful beyond words to the generosity of the Covenanter Church and of other friends of our Home who have contributed so generously to our Building Fund. The total amount needed for the building was over \$250,000.00. In order to meet the current bills for the building, after our current savings had been exhausted, it was necessary to borrow \$60,000.00 from Mellon National Bank. In our meetings this year, we heard the treasurer read the welcome news that this debt had been reduced to \$50,000 and by April 1st to \$39,000.00. Of this amount approximately \$100,000 was contributed by friends outside the Covenanter

Church. For these and many other evidences of God's bountiful mercies which He daily bestows on us, we all bow in humble thanksgiving.

We also thank the prayer group in our Home Family, who uphold our hands before the Throne of Grace, daily, not only for our finances, but in all our work. We have had many definite answers to their prayers.

We earnestly desire equal interest from you all, both in contributions and in prayer for continued success in this small corner of the Lord's vineyard.

The Home family has increased. The Admissions Committee reported 35 new applications received. 8 applications were rejected, 1 application withdrawn, 2 applicants are deceased. 17 were added to the waiting list. The following persons have become members of the Home family this past year:

Mrs. J. S. Tibby	Wilkinsburg
Mrs. F. M. Wilson	Third Philadelphia
Mrs. Mary Allen	Central Pittsburgh
Miss Alice Thompson	United Philadelphia
Miss Anna Thompson	United Philadelphia
Mr. Wyman Robb	Allegheny
Mrs. Wyman Robb	Allegheny
Mrs. Edith Brown	Wilkinsburg
Mrs. Lillian Renfrew	Union
Miss Louise Morphy	United Philadelphia
Miss Nellie Leslie	Methodist
Miss Tirzah Patterson	New Alexandria
Mrs. Ava Allen Wylie	College Hill
Mrs. Walter Dodds	Allegheny

During the year five guests of our home have passed to their Eternal Home:

Mr. Samuel Jamison	May 7, 1958
Mrs. Blanche Armstrong	August 25, 1958
Mrs. Mary C. Allen	October 7, 1958
Miss Elizabeth Miller	December 7, 1958
Mrs. Emma P. Garner	December 24, 1958

We were happy to have three people reach ninety years of age; Mrs. Mary Turner, Mrs. Jennie McFarland and Mrs. Jennie Kaercher. We of the Board had parties for the first two named. Mrs. Kaercher was unable to enjoy a party. Special dessert was provided for the Home family, and flowers were given Mrs. Kaercher. Mrs. Mary Caskey enjoyed her ninety-ninth birthday with her home church, Wilkinsburg, entertaining her on that day.

We thank Dr. S. Bruce Willson, president of the Seminary, for arranging preaching by the students one Sabbath each month. This is an afternoon service and is much appreciated by the Home members. Communion services are conducted in the Home by the pastors of Allegheny and Central Pittsburgh congregations and their communion assistants. We thank Dr. K. S. Edgar who is called on

many times for "extras"—birthdays, special days and funerals. We also thank the other city pastors, Dr. Cloyd E. Caskey and Rev. James D. Carson as well as all other pastors who preached at the Home. We thank our medical doctors and Allegheny General Hospital who have been very generous toward us.

We wish publicly to thank you one and all for donations of food and other favors that have made the Home family happy. We have been grateful for surplus foods from the United States government. These have eased our food bills, which at times reach a sizeable figure.

We are indeed grateful to Miss McCandless, Mr. and Mrs. White and all the staff members who daily contribute to the happiness of our Home family.

We remind you again that one dollar given the Woman's Association makes the donor an annual member; \$25.00 a life member; \$50.00 an honorary member; and \$100.00 a life director. The following have been added to our list:

Life Member in Memoriam

Rev. R. J. and Mrs. Jennie O. Dodds by their son, Robert E. Dodds

Honorary Members in Memoriam

Mrs. Mary McDonald by Southfield W. M. S.

Life Directors in Memoriam

Mrs. J. K. Robb by her daughter, Margaret Robb

Miss Edna George by Misses Lena and Lois Hemphill and Mrs. R. W. Redpath

Mrs. Ella McGee by Mr. W. Edgar Moore

Mr. Samuel Jamison by his daughters, Mrs. Dorothy Jamison Wolmsley and Mrs. Miriam Jamison Shapley

Dr. Ida M. Scott by Rev. Boyd A. and Dr. Edna Wallace White

Mrs. Emma Porter Robb by friends

Miss Jane Boyd by her nephew and niece, Mr. Wm. Boyd Duff and Mrs. Louise Duff Moore

Mrs. Joseph Dickey by New York W. M. S.

Rev. F. M. Foster, Ph.D. by Mr. Joseph Dickey

Rev. W. J. Coleman, D. D. by Mr. Joseph Dickey

Rev. R. J. George, D. D. by Mr. Joseph Dickey

John Knox by Mr. Joseph Dickey

Miss Dorothy Guthrie by Mr. John W. M. Hart

Mr. James D. McCandless, Sr. by his daughter, Miss Margaret McCandless

Mrs. James D. McCandless, Sr. by her daughter, Miss Margaret McCandless

Mrs. Frank W. Rutherford by Miss Myrtle E. Wylie

Mrs. James W. Foster by Miss Myrtle E. Wylie

Mrs. R. M. Wylie by Miss Myrtle E. Wylie

Financial donations should be sent to Mrs. R. Howard George, 3829 Perrysville Avenue, Pittsburgh 14, Pennsylvania. All other donations go to 2344 Perrysville Avenue, Pittsburgh 14, Pennsylvania.

Thus we enter on another year with full trust in our Lord and Master, knowing that we shall reap if we faint not, and that His Word shall not return unto Him void.

We covet the prayers and interest of you all for our Home and Home family.

Respectfully submitted,
(Mrs.) Erla D. Willson
Recording Secretary

The missionaries at this meeting of Synod were granted the right to participate in the Traveling Fund.

The report of the Coordinating Committee was read and action postponed until various other reports had been completed.

The report of the Committee in Charge of Sponsorship of Covenanter Refugees was read and taken up item by item. Item one was adopted. Item two was referred to the Finance Committee. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF SPONSORSHIP OF COVENANTER REFUGEES

In pursuance of the instructions of the Synod of 1958 (Minutes pages 28 and 64) this Committee has endeavored to procure the admission of Mrs. Jeanette Li to the United States to undertake missionary work among Chinese in Los Angeles.

An application was filed with the Immigration Service of the United States Department of Justice, in the name of Synod's Board of Trustees, supported by affidavits of the officers of the Board of Home Missions and several former China missionaries, requesting the admission of Mrs. Li to this country.

On November 13, 1958 the Los Angeles branch of the Immigration Service informed us that our petition had been granted and forwarded to the United States Consul at Hong Kong for action. The approval granted was for one year, expiring November 12, 1959.

On December 10, 1958 we were informed by the American Consulate General, Hong Kong, that the approved visa petition had been received by the Consulate and placed on file with the registration date of October 23, 1958. This action had the effect of placing Mrs. Li on the first preference portion of the quota for Chinese persons. This quota was formerly 105 persons per year, but by an act of Congress it has been reduced by 50% to 52 persons per year. The result of this has been that there are so many persons on the first preference portion of the quota that Mrs. Li's name may not come up for action for an indefinite length of time, and it is probable that the period of validity of our approved application will have expired by the time her name comes up.

It has been suggested to the Committee that an appeal addressed to someone in Washington might be effective in getting action on Mrs. Li's visa before the expiration of the period of validity of the approved application.

We recommend:

1. That Synod adopt the following resolution: "Resolved, that the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America express to the U. S. State Department its earnest desire that early action be taken to provide a visa for Mrs. Jeanette Li to enter the United States to engage in missionary work, and that the officers of Synod send a telegram to the State Department to this effect."

2. That the expenses of the Committee, amounting to \$4.33 for postage, stationery and miscellaneous items, which was advanced by the chairman of the Committee, be paid by Synod.

Respectfully submitted and signed by the members of the Committee present at Synod.

J. G. Vos, Chairman

L. E. Kilpatrick

S. Bruce Willson

The report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary was read and taken up item by item. Item one was referred to the Nominating Committee. Items 2, 3, 4, 5, 10 were adopted. S. B. Willson was heard on behalf of the Seminary. Items 6, 7, 8, 9 were adopted.

Elder Easson McKelvy was authorized by Synod to sit with the Ohio Presbytery in order to give lay representation on its court.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by Boyd A. White.

Saturday, June 6, 1959 - 8:45 A. M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted in prayer by T. C. McKnight.

The roll was called.

Following the devotional service, the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Paper No. 6 from the Sharon Board of Deacons through the Stewardship Committee concerning a change in our financial budget system was referred back to the Stewardship Committee for study.

Paper No. 7 from the Illinois Presbytery concerning the status of a congregation without elders was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Paper No. 8 from Midwest Presbytery calling for a Judicial Commission to review the records of a case of discipline in Midwest Presbytery was approved and referred to the Nominating Committee.

Paper No. 9 from New York Presbytery calling for a clarification of the Book of Church Government regarding the standing of delinquent members was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Paper No. 10 presented by M. L. Harrington concerning pri-

vate communion and private baptism was referred to the Judicial Committee.

Paper No. 11 presented by A. J. McFarland calling for a Judicial Commission concerning a case of discipline in the Sterling Congregation was approved and referred to the Nominating Committee.

The report of the Long Range Planning Committee was again taken up. Item one was adopted. Item two was recommitted. Item three was adopted. Item four was amended and adopted.

A partial report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted. Because of the request of one named to be excused from the Judicial Commission, the Nominating Committee was empowered to name another for the position.

Synod was adjourned in prayer by H. G. Patterson.

Monday, June 8, 1959 - 8:45 A. M.

Synod met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted in prayer by F. F. Reade.

The roll was called. Hershel Cypher was seated as the delegate from Parnassus in place of Reid Stewart. Paul D. Bennett was seated as the delegate from Allegheny in place of C. R. Fox.

The Judicial Commission was granted optional attendance throughout the remainder of Synod.

Following the devotional service, the minutes were read and approved.

An offering to defray the expenses of Synod was taken following prayer by D. Howard Elliott. The amount was \$138.51.

By special resolution, the following rules were established for the remainder of Synod. 1. That unless it is granted by special motion, no speaker be permitted to speak more than ten minutes. 2. That no speaker be permitted to speak more than twice on any one motion.

Hershel Cypher was introduced as the elder delegate from Parnassus and a member of Synod for the first time.

The report of the Prayer Meeting Topics Committee was read, adopted, referred to the Nominating Committee, and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON PRAYER MEETING TOPICS

A schedule of Prayer Meeting topics for the mid-week Prayer Meeting for 1959 and the names of those who are writing the comments was prepared and printed in the **Covenanter Witness** in December 1958.

"Practical Christianity" is W. C. McClurkin's general theme; John Coleman's messages are on the Person and work of the Holy Spirit; Walter McCarroll's subject is "Righteousness"; the students in the Seminary prepared the comments on six subjects in the Testimony, Chapter 13-18; J. M. Caskey has six lessons

from the Prophecy of Jeremiah and on the fifth Wednesday, the work in our Mission fields is considered.

The committee expresses its gratitude to these writers for their work and for the promptness and faithfulness in sending in material to the **Covenanter Witness**.

Short articles, emphasizing the importance and value of the Prayer Meeting have been prepared and printed in the **Covenanter Witness**.

The Evaluation Report was studied, answered and returned to the committee.

The term for which M. K. Carson was chosen has expired and his successor should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,
M. K. Carson
J. M. Caskey
John Coleman

The report of the Parliamentarians on paper No. 4 was read, adopted, referred to the Nominating Committee and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE PARLIAMENTARIANS ON PAPER NO. 4

One paper was referred to us. This paper, No. 4, concerned the report of the Judicial Committee of the 1958 Synod. After a general discussion of the report, the paper brought three requests.

Request No. 1. "That Synod re-examine the question which was dealt with by the Judicial Committee last Year."

Reply. In 1954, the Synod took this action: "Synod decided that when an issue has been brought before Synod, debated and voted on, that issue cannot again be brought before the Synod within five years except by a two-thirds vote." (Minutes of 1954 Synod, Page 50.) This request asks that the same question as was debated and voted on at the last Synod be re-examined by this Synod. In view of the action of Synod in 1954, it is the opinion of this committee that this identical question cannot be brought before this Synod except by a two-thirds favoring vote.

Requests No. 2 and 3. "That Synod give a definite ruling as to the validity of the civil-political distinction – with particular attention to the necessity of its being 'divine truth' to qualify under our Standards as a Term of Christian Communion." No. 3. "That Synod – in the event it should decide our Terms of Communion do bind us to refrain from voting and from holding political office on the basis of this civil political distinction, regardless of the oath – prepare a statement to this effect, in clearly defined, unmistakable language, to be added to, or incorporated in, our Terms of Communion, and present the same for overture, so that all members, or prospective members, may know without question, what is involved in union with the Covenanter Church."

We recommend the appointment of a special committee to

bring in an answer to requests 2 and 3 to the next Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

R. C. Fullerton

Luther B. McFarland

A. W. Smith

The report of the Board of Publication was read and taken up item by item. Item one was recommitted to consider the continuance of the present arrangement of co-editorship. Item two was adopted. Item three was referred to the Nominating Committee. The question of salary adjustment for the editors of the *Witness* was referred to the Board of Publication in connection with the recommittal of item one.

The report of the Board of Christian Education was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION 1959

God in His infinite mercy has made it possible for this Board to serve another year in the field of Christian education in our church. It has been a good year compared to some others, but we are still far from most of our goals.

The Board held a regular meeting February 25, 1959, in the College Hill Church. All members were present except one. The main item of business was to fill out the Evaluation Report Form requested by Synod. This was done with some deliberation, and we believe with profit to our Board. It helped to make concrete in the minds of the members our immediate aims and goals as a Board, and also caused us to look to the future with an expanding program. We believe that this will make for better planning in the future, and also help us to check for progress.

Reports from 43 congregations enable us to present the following information concerning the religious education work of our denomination.

The Sabbath School. We asked for average attendance. We found this ran from 11 to 171, with an average for the 43 congregations reporting 61. In other words, out of a total Sabbath School enrollment reported of 5,048, we find that 43 schools have a total average attendance of 2,627.

Vacation Bible Schools. We asked for the number of Vacation Bible Schools conducted by our church and those participated in on the community basis. We found that 29 schools were denominational schools, and three other congregations took part in community schools for a total of 32. This is one less school than was reported last year.

Week day classes in religion are about the same in number as last year with 11 congregations reporting some work along this line.

Leadership Training. This field of endeavor showed a big increase over last year. Some 18 congregations reported conducting or taking part in leadership training schools or classes. We know that some of this increase came because of a Sabbath

School conference held in the College Hill Church, November 29, 1958, which was well attended. Those attending the conference were asked to sign up for a leadership training school if interested. So many signed that two schools were set up, one in the Beaver Falls area, and the other in the Pittsburgh area. These classes ran for six weeks and were well attended. We believe it has been a boon to the Sabbath Schools in these two areas.

In May of this year the president of the Board traveled to New York City and spoke to the congregation there on the work of the Sabbath School. A leadership training program is now under way there. We hope this interest will continue to grow and expand throughout our church.

Our Visual Aids Library has been enlarged and a list of our filmstrips has been published. These films are being used more than ever as more projectors are purchased by congregations or organizations within the church. We are glad to add other films to our library if there is a demand for their use.

We wish to thank all those who cooperated with us in making this report. We are asking for \$600 to carry on our work. The terms of Kenneth Kennedy and John Tweed expire with this meeting of Synod and their successors should be chosen.

The following is our financial report:

Balance	April 1, 1958	\$ 618.48
Receipts	543.00
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Disbursements	322.14
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Balance	March 31, 1959	\$ 839.34

Signed:
Frank Lathom, president
D. Ray Wilcox
John H. Tweed
Edwin C. Clarke
John S. McIsaac
Kenneth Kennedy

The item of the Long Range Committee report calling for a new Board of Christian Education was referred to the Nominating Committee.

The Long Range Committee was instructed to determine the nature, number and location of the new Board of Christian Education.

The report of the Bible Reading Committee was read, all items and the report as a whole were adopted and is as follows:

BIBLE READING COMMITTEE REPORT

Dear Fathers and Brethren:

In our report to the Young People's Secretary, wherein we gave an "outline in writing" of our "purpose and long range ob-

jectives," we quoted what was said when this committee was first proposed in the year 1910, - "We recommend that in view of the interest already developed in a Bible Reading Movement, especially among the young people of our Church, a committee . . . be appointed to prepare . . . folders . . . containing selections from the Bible for daily morning and evening reading; . . . that this committee formulate plans with a view of interesting all our young people in this Movement and keeping up interest in the same." This is still the long range objective of our committee.

The first Bible Reading Folder was simple and inexpensive, a folder and not a booklet such as we have at present. The cost of printing it was only two-fifths of the amount we expend at the present time. In our regular Daily Bible Reader we still follow the original practice of inserting the S.S. and C.Y.P.U. subjects on one of the days of the week, except that we list these for Monday instead of Saturday. Otherwise we follow the original plan of consecutive reading, using the Old Testament for the morning and the New Testament for the evening.

Several changes have been made during the years. First, the amount of reading, for each day, in the regular Daily Reader was decreased. Then a later committee proposed a booklet instead of a folder. Still later another committee, in 1921, added another booklet that carried a reader through the entire Bible in one year. In 1929 a Children's Reader was provided by a new committee and the present system of granting certificates and awards was introduced. We now carry four types of Readers,—the regular Daily Reader, the Chronological Reader (through the Bible in one year), the Children's Reader, 1st series, and the Children's Reader, 2nd series.

Our sales for this year have increased over those of the past few years. We sold 1837 Readers this year as compared with 1693 last year and 1220 the year before. Of the 1837 sold, 1111 were the regular Daily Readers, 125 the Chronological, 428 the Children's, 1st series, and 173 the Children's, 2nd series.

We granted 73 certificates for one year's satisfactory reading, and eight diplomas and Bibles for six years of faithful work. Selma again leads with 35 certificates and 5 diplomas. Topeka comes second with ten certificates, and Central Pittsburgh is third with five certificates. The Selma plan seems to get results. There one person makes it her business to publicize our Readers and organize a Bible Reading Club. We commend this plan to our other congregations.

Our printing was done this year by the Patterson Press of Pittsburgh. Dr. J. R. Patterson has a neat printing establishment in his home and turns out fine work on his offset press. We have received several complimentary comments from our correspondents regarding the format of the two types of Readers that were printed this year. Moreover the work was done for less money than we had to expend this year.

This year we had a new supply of certificates printed, at a

very moderate cost, and our gift Bibles we were able to secure at a 21 per cent discount.

Our financial statement is as follows:

Balance 1958		\$ 12.41
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Receipts

From Sale of Readers.....	\$ 83.84	
From Mr. Fox.....	200.00	
Late Orders from 1958.....	13.26	
		<u>297.10</u>
		\$ 309.51

Expenditures

Paid to Mr. Fox	\$ 30.55	
For Awards.....	23.60	
For Royalty (National Council).....	9.97	
For Printing Readers	200.00	
For Printing Certificates	6.66	
For Postage and Mailing.....	24.03	
Total Expenditures		<u>\$ 294.81</u>

Balance 1959		\$ 14.70
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We recommend:

1. That each congregation be asked to appoint a sponsor, who will organize and supervise a Bible Reading Club within its membership, including Sabbath School and C.Y.P.U. members.

2. That a letter be sent to each congregation, as heretofore, urging an early ordering of supplies so that there will be little or no loss in printing.

3. That our people remember our Bible Reading work in their prayers, to the end that our entire congregational, Sabbath School and C.Y.P.U. membership may become fruitful readers of God's Word.

Respectfully submitted,

F. F. Reade

R. H. McKelvy

W. J. Burns

Item No. 20 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on Preparation of Vacation Bible School Materials was read and adopted without the recommendations which were referred to the new Board of Christian Education. The report is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON THE PREPARATION OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL MATERIALS

Your Committee to consider the possibility of preparing and publishing material for Daily Vacation Bible Schools, would respectfully report:

It was recognized at the outset that, to prepare and publish

such material as a Church, would be an impossibility from the standpoint of expense and of securing persons to prepare the material. This latter would take much time and preparation on the part of those serving in this capacity.

Our next step was to investigate the possibility of working through our companies already publishing such material. We finally contacted Great Commission Publications. This is the publishing establishment of the Orthodox Presbyterians in Philadelphia.

Because of distance, your committee felt that it would be impossible for us to hold direct interviews with the Great Commission Publications personnel. Therefore, we requested Dr. Paul D. McCracken to act as our voice in making contact with them. He graciously consented to do so.

Great Commission Publications sent samples of all their material for one year, which was carefully reviewed by each member of your Committee. Changes, omissions, and substitutions were written in, so as to bring them completely into harmony with our Covenanter teaching and practice. Then the material was returned to the company.

After the company had looked over the material, with our proposed changes, it stated that there would be little or no difference in the cost of the **Pupil's Work Books** in making these changes. But the cost of the **Teacher's Manuals** would be greater, as they would have many more changes. They quoted the following prices:

1. A minimum of 2,000 **Pupil's Work Books** for each of 4 departments (Beginner, Primary, Junior, and Intermediate) at 25¢ each, making the cost amount to \$500 for one department, or a total of \$2,000 for the four departments.
2. A minimum of 500 **Teacher's Manuals** for each of 4 departments (Beginner, Primary, Junior, and Intermediate) at \$1.35 each, making the cost amount to \$675 for one department, or a total of \$2,700 for the four departments.
3. Total cost for the four departments for one year, \$4,700.
4. Total cost for the four departments for their three-year cycle, \$14,100.

Since the Great Commission Publications Vacation Bible School Course comes in a 3-year cycle, such books as were not sold in any given year could be sold three years later.

Great Commission Publications stated that we would be required to order and pay for a specified amount of material. Quantities mentioned above, indicate their minimums. This would mean that our Church would take care of all promoting, handling and distributing.

According to the resolution adopted by the Synod of 1958, it would appear that your Committee was expected to have Vacation Bible School materials printed prior to the 1959 Synod, at which

time we were to present a request for funds. In view of costs involved, your Committee deemed it wise to refrain from entering into any contract, until the matter had been reviewed and approved by Synod.

The Committee wished to thank Dr. McCracken for his good work in our behalf.

Mrs. G. M. Robb acted as correspondent for the Committee; and her work has been greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
M. W. Dougherty
Frank L. Stewart
Ruth R. Robb

Item No. 19 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on Preparation of Sabbath School Materials was read and taken up item by item. Items one through three were adopted. The report as a whole was adopted, referred to the new Board of Christian Education and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO PREPARE AND PUBLISH SABBATH SCHOOL MATERIALS

This Committee was appointed to carry out the recommendation of the Elder's Conference of 1958: "That Synod prepare and publish materials for use in our Sabbath Schools". The work of the Committee for this year has been mainly that of determining the needs of our Sabbath Schools as far as materials are concerned and making plans to meet those needs.

To begin our work the Committee sent a questionnaire to each Session of the Church and each Sabbath School Superintendent. The response to the questionnaire was very good. All but five of the sessions of the churches that have regular pastors returned the questionnaire to the Committee. We feel that this indicates a very great interest in the problem of materials to be used in our Sabbath Schools. The following facts learned from the answers to the questionnaire might help as we consider this problem.

Materials from at least the following sources are used in the Sabbath Schools of the Church:

1. Gospel Light Press
2. Presbyterian Church, U.S.A.
3. Scripture Press
4. David C. Cook
5. Presbyterian Church, U.S.
6. Associate Reformed Presbyterian
7. Standard
8. Higley International
9. Union Gospel Press
10. American Sunday School Union
11. Christian Reformed Church
12. Gospel Publishing House
13. Mennonite Publishing House

In addition to these, the **Covenanter Witness, Blue Banner Faith & Life, Peloubet's Notes** were also listed as supplemental materials.

The following information was obtained in the questionnaire sent to the Sessions of the Church:

Question 1. "Are you satisfied with the materials your S.S. is now using?"

13 - Yes

25 - No

14 - Qualified

Question 2. "If our Church published its own materials, will your session strongly advocate the use of them in your S.S.?"

28 - Yes

14 - Yes, IF they are good

2 - Could not say until seen 1 - No

Question 3. "Do you feel that it is necessary to publish our S.S. materials in order to more effectively ground our S.S. Students in the Scriptural position of our church?"

21 - Yes

12 - No

12 - It would help,
but is either unneces-
sary or impractical

Question 4. "Does your session feel that the use of your present S.S. materials has helped or hindered the teaching of the standards of the Church?"

3 - Helped

1 - Helped some but not enough

15 - Hindered

23 - Neither helped or hindered (of
these, 13 felt that it depended on the
teacher

In the three churches that said the materials helped, Scripture Press, Gospel Light Press and David C. Cook materials are being used.

In answer to this questionnaire, a number of questions were asked of the Committee. We cannot answer all of them but would like to comment on some of the ones most frequently asked:

"Shouldn't we teach the Bible in the Sabbath School and then teach our doctrines in other places, such as Communicants' Class?"

One of the puzzling things to our committee was the fact that only four sessions felt that the materials being used had helped in the teaching of the standards of the Church, and yet 13 sessions were satisfied with the materials being used. The question as to just what we are trying to accomplish in our Sabbath School might be the reason for this discrepancy. **The Directory for Worship**, page 322, para. 7, states: "The purpose of the Sabbath School is, not to take the place of the church, but to prepare its scholars for active membership in the church. It should endeavor to gather in both young and old for the purpose of leading the unsaved to Christ, and of building up its members in the knowledge of the Scriptures and of guiding them to a full and consistent Christian Life..."

If this be our avowed purpose in having Sabbath Schools then

it will of necessity involve the teaching of the particular standards of our church. Also the statement that we will teach the Bible in the Sabbath School and the church doctrines some place else, if logically pursued, will lead to the conclusion that the doctrines are something which are held apart from and not found in the Word.

"Is not strong evangelical teaching more important?"

This is also a question of purpose. It is not a question of either one or the other. We should and in fact could not have anything other than "a strong evangelical teaching" if we would adequately present the full teaching of the Word of God. On the other hand, neither should we stop there, but should go on to the "Building up of its members in the knowledge of the Scriptures and of guiding them to a full and consistent Christian life." This will involve the teaching of the truth of God as set forth in our church standards.

"The materials published by some other group are close enough to our teaching."

If this be true then we should very closely examine the reasons that we have for existing as a separate denomination. If the differences that we have with other Christian brethren are sufficient for us to maintain a separate position in the visible church of Jesus Christ, then surely they would be distinctive enough to make the use of materials that do not present those differences in a positive manner unacceptable.

"Can we afford it?"

Can we afford not to? We would like to quote from one of the questionnaires: "One of the great weaknesses of our S.S. effort, as a church, has been in the use of materials that do not mention that phase of Scriptural truth which we hold up as our standards. That may be one reason many S.S. pupils have gone on to other churches instead of staying and becoming members of the Covenant Church. We are depending heavily upon our S.S. to indoctrinate our children and young people in Scriptural truth upon which the standards as a church are based, yet too often, we cannot find those truths even mentioned in most of the available Sabbath School literature. It is usually studiously avoided, or explained away completely. Our church finds itself in a very precarious position today, because we have not considered our standards important enough to teach to our youth in a positive and enthusiastic manner." Can we afford not to have our own S.S. materials when only four sessions of the church felt that the materials they were using had helped in the teaching of the standards of the church?

"The teacher can bring the distinctive teaching of the church in with the lesson."

We expect this of the teachers and yet we give them very little help. Too often we have looked for S.S. materials on the basis of the selected ones having nothing wrong in them. Our

object should be to present all of the truth in a **positive and effective** manner. Can the majority of our teachers do this with the present materials? Some of the passages of Scripture that are essential to particular doctrines are avoided. We have a responsibility to help our teachers do an effective job.

These questions have been just a sampling of those most frequently raised. Also, one point that was emphasized in the answers was the need for first-rate materials. The sessions and the S.S. personnel made it clear that they will not be satisfied with "Covenanter" S.S. materials unless they are of high quality as well as scripturally sound.

Our Committee feels that we should prepare and publish a graded system with pupil quarterlies and teachers' helps for the following age groups:

Kindergarten - Ages 4-5 years

Primary - Grades 1-3

Junior - Grades 4-6

Junior High - Grades 7-9

Young People and Adults

The Kindergarten, Primary, Junior and Junior High would run on a three-year cycle; the Young People and Adults on at least a six-year cycle.

It is the plan of the committee to publish the materials in the following order:

	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969	1970
Kindergarten	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3						
Primary	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3						
Junior		No. 1	No. 2	No. 3					
Junior High			No. 1	No. 2	No. 3				
Y.P. & Adults				No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6

The plan can be carried out with the following costs:

Secretary	\$2,865.00
Writer's Honorarium	200.00
Office Expense	525.00
Printing	1,200.00
Miscellaneous	110.00
Total Expenses	\$4,900.00

Income

Sale of Quarterlies	\$1,400.00
Synod's Budget	3,500.00

\$3,500.00 from Synod's budget is approximately 70¢ per Sabbath School member each year, which is a small financial cost for the benefits that would come to the Church from using materials that would present the whole teaching of the Word of God. This is the estimated expense for the fiscal year of 1960 but the cost of the program will remain approximately the same each year until the course is completed and then will drop substantially. The main cost is in the preparation of the materials, that is, secretarial help and office expense. These will remain fairly constant and the increased cost as new quarterlies are added will be covered

by the sale of those quarterlies.

The Board of Christian Education would be in charge of all phases of the S.S. materials work, including choosing writers for the various age levels. The writers would not be paid, but would receive an honorarium of \$100.00 per year.

We would recommend the following:

1. That Synod reaffirm its decision of 1958 to prepare and publish Sabbath School materials to be used in our churches.
2. That the Board of Christian Education present to the Synod of 1960 the Course of Study to be followed by our S.S. materials.
3. That the schedule of dates for the publication of the various quarterlies as presented in this report be adopted.

Signed,
D. W. Feiker, chairman
E. S. Dill

A resolution calling for a discussion of Political Dissent at Synod next year was referred to the Parliamentarians.

The report of the Witness Committee was read and taken up item by item. Items one and two were adopted. A. J. McFarland was heard on behalf of the Christian Amendment Movement. Items three and four were adopted. Item five was amended and adopted. Item six was referred to the Nominating Committee. The report as a whole was adopted as follows:

REPORT OF THE WITNESS COMMITTEE

The work of the last year has been along the general direction of the recent past. However, we are also endeavoring to widen our work and more adequately perform our total task.

I. The Christian Amendment Movement.

The Christian Amendment Movement Office reports 2200 subscriptions to the **Christian Patriot**. The paper is run at a loss, but it is felt to be worthwhile. The support of the Church for this paper is urged. Gifts of about \$2,700 to both the general and radio funds have been received.

The program "The Way Out" continues to be broadcast in twenty four states. It is interesting to note that 577 responses to this program were received this year. The program entitled "The Christian Amendment Hour" was discontinued over station KOMA, Oklahoma City, in September, but continues over station WBVP, Beaver Falls.

The CAM Office reports considerable interest in the movement by the Church of the Nazarene. Also CAM representatives participated in the American Religious Town Hall Meeting.

II. The Field Secretary.

Dr. A. J. McFarland has centered his work in two areas. One, of course, is Washington, D. C. Nine Congressmen were secured to introduce the Christian Amendment bill in Congress. Also in

Washington much work has been done to secure endorsements for the Christian Amendment and also introductions for the Movement's program in the **Congressional Record**.

A new radio program called "Let's Honor God" has been prepared. This is a series of five minute programs, which has appeared on a number of stations. The duplication of radio tapes is now done on equipment purchased by the Witness Committee. This has resulted in considerable savings.

Dr. McFarland has repeatedly asked during the spring that the Witness Committee should not recommend his reelection as Field Secretary of the Christian Amendment Movement. The committee was most reluctant to accept this decision, and both officially and unofficially has urged him to reconsider it. He continues, however, in view of his health, to ask that he be released from the work at the expiration of his present term. The Committee has at last agreed. It is impossible for the Committee or the Church to express its gratitude to Dr. McFarland for his imaginative and self-sacrificing leadership of the work of seeking the Christian Amendment to the constitution, since its reactivation about 1942. We honor him for his labors and look forward with regret to his leaving his official connection with the Movement. We know that it will never be far from his heart.

III. Advertising of the Psalter.

At the direction of Synod, Dr. John Coleman was appointed to arrange the advertising of the Psalter. Advertisements have appeared and are appearing in **Christian Life**, **Moody Monthly**, **United Evangelical Action**, the **Sunday School Times**, the **Evangelical Christian** of Toronto, and a Mennonite paper, **Christian Living**.

IV. New Tract On The Oath Of Allegiance.

A new tract by Dr. John Coleman has been printed, entitled "The Christian's Problem with the Oath of Allegiance to the Constitution," and is available at this Synod. We hope to expand greatly our preparation and printing of tracts in coming months.

V. Psalm Recordings.

A quartet of the seminary students prepared during the year a recording of Psalms suitable for many purposes, including broadcasting. Parts of Psalms 16, 23, 24, 33, 45, 46, 51, 72, 73, 76, 85, 90, 98 and 124 have been recorded. We hope to announce arrangements whereby members of Synod can hear these recordings. Copies of the tape may be ordered through the Witness Committee. We would like to make the music available on a ten-inch 33 1/3 rpm record. If as many as 100 orders for this record are received, the record will be pressed; the cost for a record will be \$3.25, plus charges for handling and mailing.

VI. From Whom and Where to order Tracts.

The new chairman of the Witness Committee is Harold B. Harrington. Orders for tracts should be sent either to him (at 605 Oak Street, New Castle, Pennsylvania) or to Mr. Fox.

We would respectfully recommend:

1. That the Synod regretfully acquiesce in Dr. A. J. McFarland's insistence that he be not re-elected as Field Secretary for the Christian Amendment Movement, for a new term beginning after the Synod 1960

2. That Dr. McFarland be heard for 10 minutes on behalf of the Christian Amendment Movement.

3. That in view of the intended policy of the committee to seek a layman for the position, Synod authorize the Witness Committee to fill the position of Field Secretary of the Christian Amendment Movement.

4. That the fourth Sabbath of May, 1960, (the Sabbath before Memorial Day) be named Christian Amendment Sabbath and that pastors be asked to preach on the subject and to distribute Christian Amendment literature to and through the congregation.

5. That pastors be urged to preach on the subject of political dissent in October, 1959.

6. That the terms for which John Coleman, Harold B. Harrington, and T. R. Hutcheson were chosen have expired and their successors should be elected by this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold B. Harrington, Chr.
J. B. Willson, Sec.

By special resolution, Synod, in order to implement the building and endowment program for the Seminary, granted the Seminary Board the permission to solicit funds by special appeal to the Church and to this end to make use of the church publications.

Synod took recess in prayer by George Henning.

Monday - 1:30 P. M.

Synod reconvened in prayer by W. J. McClay.

The roll was called.

J. Russell Lathom was seated as the delegate of the Geneva congregation in place of L. D. Fallon.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Item No. 15 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee to Consider the Realignment of Ohio, Philadelphia, New York and St. Lawrence Presbyteries was read and taken up item by item. Items one to four were adopted. Item five was amended and adopted. Item six was adopted. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE REALIGNMENT OF OHIO, PHILADELPHIA, NEW YORK AND ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERIES

A meeting of the committee was held in the office of the National Reform Association, April 21, 1959. Members present

were J. R. Patterson, chairman, M. K. Carson of Ohio Presbytery, P. D. McCracken and G. W. Price of Philadelphia Presbytery, R. A. Henning of New York Presbytery, and F. F. Reade of St. Lawrence Presbytery.

After considerable discussion pro and con with regard to realignment the committee decided, with one dissenting vote, in favor of recommending the realigning of Ohio, Philadelphia, New York and St. Lawrence Presbyteries as follows:

Recommendations:

1. That Philadelphia Presbytery be disbanded.
2. That Orlando congregation be placed in Ohio Presbytery.
3. That the two Philadelphia congregations be placed in New York Presbytery.
4. That the Walton and Barnet congregations be placed in St. Lawrence Presbytery.
5. That the ministers, students of theology and members on the roll of presbyteries concerned in this realignment be transferred to the respective presbyteries.
6. That the records of the Philadelphia Presbytery be placed in the permanent archives of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,
 J. R. Patterson
 M. K. Carson
 F. F. Reade
 R. A. Henning
 P. D. McCracken
 G. W. Price

The report of the Stewardship Committee was read and taken up item by item. Items one through seven were adopted. Item eight was referred to the Nominating Committee. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

We praise our gracious God who has, during the year past, dealt with us so bountifully. Although the denomination raised only 95.3% of its projected budget (113 of 118 thousand dollars), we rejoice in the realization that the spirit of Christian stewardship is strong among a large portion of our people. This total represents the giving of \$24.19 per communicant member to Synod's budget. Based upon the total giving of the Church, each communicant member gave an average of \$121.60 to the Lord's work compared with \$121.31 for the previous fiscal year.

Still, we reflect that, despite the lingering effects of an economic recession, had our practice in stewardship measured in proportion to God's blessings we would also have been able to give an amount to God's kingdom work significantly beyond that of the projected budget. While it is true that the Church has given to other denominational projects and that congregational expenses

have increased, we call your attention to the fact that the congregational balances have steadily increased by \$52,449 over a three year period (1956-1958) while giving to Synod's budget has fluctuated during this same period (1956-\$114,500; 1957-\$108,400; 1958-\$118,200). These facts suggest the possibility that congregational giving to the work of the whole Church has not maintained a level corresponding with the increased blessing of the Lord.

We feel that this apparent lack of correspondence reflects an inability on the committee's part to convey the importance of our denominational work to the local congregation. For this reason we are offering certain recommendations to strengthen the committee's efforts.

Your committee would report that we have continued stewardship education this past year through the following means: articles on tithing and giving beyond the mere tenth, appearing in the **Covenanter Witness**; making available "Tither's Resolve" cards to those wishing them; and keeping the Church informed about the status of the budget throughout the final ten weeks of the fiscal year. In addition we reported our statement of purpose to the Long Range Planning Committee.

We wish to thank the editors of the **Covenanter Witness** for their cooperative spirit in accepting articles on stewardship and Geneva College for enabling the committee to publish its bi-weekly budget report. Our special thanks to Mr. Chester Fox for his unstinting cooperation, despite personal handicaps.

Our expenses are as follows:

Printing (Tither's Resolve Cards)	\$20.00
Mimeographing	19.56
Stationery, postage, telephone	22.84
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	\$62.40

We recommend:

1. That in line with the recommendation originating the Stewardship Committee—viz. "this committee, among other activities, shall function through a representative of the Financial Board of each congregation" (*Minutes of Synod*, 1941, p. 74)—pastors and financial boards make every effort to see that this liason between the congregation and this committee be established and that it function.

2. That the Church Treasurer be made an additional and permanent member of the Stewardship Committee.

3. That the term of the Stewardship Committee be made concurrent with the Church's fiscal year, beginning April 1, 1960, and that the committee be appointed at the meeting of Synod preceding the beginning of that term.

4. That all members of the Stewardship Committee, other than the Church Treasurer, be appointed for a one year term.

5. That all members, other than the Church Treasurer, be

appointed from a single presbytery, no presbytery to be represented for more than two consecutive years.

6. That the Stewardship Committee make an effort to provide to the congregations regular reports throughout the fiscal year concerning the status of the budget, including a pro rated "goal" designed to stimulate interest in the progress of our giving.

7. That a sum of \$400 be made available for the work of the Stewardship Committee, to be drawn from the Miscellaneous Fund.

8. That the successor to N. M. Carson, whose term has expired, be chosen at this Synod.

Norman M. Carson, Chairman

Donald W. Felker

Dr. Ralph Mortensen, Field Secretary of the American Bible Society, was heard on behalf of the work of that Society.

The report of the Committee to Prepare a new Explanatory Declaration, which was the order of the day, was again taken up and recommitted for another year's study. The Committee's report was ordered printed in the Appendix to the minutes.

The report of the Temperance Committee was read. In connection with this report, Synod instructed congregations to take whatever steps are necessary to bring about uniform observance of the vow binding ordained officers of the Church to abstain from the use of tobacco. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF SYNOD'S TEMPERANCE COMMITTEE

The present and long range purpose of your committee has a twofold concern: first, that the Church in its entire membership shall live as Spirit-filled believers, free from the blight caused by indulgence in narcotics in any form; second, that our nation shall be rid of all traffic in the manufacture, advertising, distribution and sale of intoxicants and tobacco.

We believe that the activities and zeal of the committee should be a reflection of the concern of the whole Church. The people of God are called to a life of holiness and the practice of temperance, as understood in its meaning of abstinence from indulgence in things evil, illustrates the principle of separation from the world, the great enemy of the Church.

In certain respects, the situation in our country has become worse during the past year. In the field of advertising, some radio stations have inaugurated the advertising of hard liquor as well as beer and wine. There has been the innovation of featuring women, for the first time, in the advertising of alcoholic beverages. And, finally, we mention the capitulation of the **Saturday Evening Post** to the pressure exerted by the distillers and the brewers, as that this once DRY weekly magazine is now wringing wet, with both beer and hard liquor advertisements.

Thus it is shown that the greed of the producers of intoxicants knows no limits and has no regard for the standards of de-

agency. In the face of wide spread drinking and its destructive results, the members of Congress still refuse to report out of committee such bills as the Siler bill in the House and the Langer bill in the Senate, which would rescue the home from its captivity at the hands of the liquor interests through the advertising media of radio and television.

Even in the matter of protecting the public traveling on commercial airlines, Congress still refuses to enact legislation earnestly called for and when to be desperately needed, to prevent planes from being flying saloons and death traps.

Your temperance committee believes that this apathy of Congress manifested in its do-nothing policy and attitude is traceable to the loss of a Christian conscience on the part of the Church in general, and the failure and refusal of the Church to teach the Scriptural requirements of rectitude before God.

Some time ago an incident occurred in Chicago which illustrates this. A group composed of representatives of the ministerial association, Parent-Teacher Association and of leading service clubs, called on the mayor of Chicago. They came to him with an urgent request that he take action to curb and stop gambling within their neighborhoods. The mayor received these people courteously and listened to their complaint and request. Then he turned to them and asked a question which proved to be very embarrassing: to the ministers first the mayor said, "How long has it been since you preached a sermon in your churches, pointing out the sin of gambling?" To the PTA leaders he said, "Are you teaching the children in your own homes and the pupils in your schools that gambling is wrong?" Likewise to the leaders of the service clubs he said: "Do you take a stand personally, that gambling is wrong and do you set the example of abstaining from it?" The answers, one after another repeated the shamefaced confession "No". Then the mayor counselled them: "Go back to your respective groups and teach what is right and then come back to me and I will help you."

It can hardly be denied that the drinking of intoxicants all the way from light wine to whiskey and vodka, has come to be accepted by large areas of the Church as the American way of living, without being regarded as immoral or sinful. This includes also the wide use of tobacco. And, until the Church resumes her commission from God to serve as prophet to our nation and to decry sin while appealing for godly living there can be little hope for deliverance from today's **indulgence** in narcotics or from the **traffic** in them.

We believe that the Reformed Presbyterian Church is sensitive to this divine commission and is endeavoring to some degree to fulfill it.

We deplore the fact that the state of Oklahoma during the past year lost her state law which prohibited the sale of hard liquor and is now classed with the wet states. This leaves but one state, that of Mississippi with a prohibition law on its books.

We can only wonder how soon it will be before the brewing and distilling interests will train their guns on Mississippi and by lying propaganda and fearful threats persuade the people of that state also to think that they would be better off with the legalization of hard liquor.

The slaughter on our streets and highways continues. Memorial Day has chalked up a record of holiday deaths and the part which indulgence in alcoholic beverages has contributed to these deaths is no minor matter. The shocking figures are published and percentages are reckoned but the minds of people in general have become hardened and callous.

Yet the situation is far from hopeless. The American Medical Association has become concerned over the rapid increase in Alcoholism and is giving more publicity to the problems created by it as the result of the prevalent practice of social drinking. Medical authorities have also sounded the alarm against the use of cigaretts and the connection between excessive smoking and lung cancer. Nicotine is a habit forming poison and leads to excessive smoking, a deadly habit very difficult to break.

It should therefore be the continued concern of the Covenanter Church, by precept and by example to teach sobriety so far as intoxicants are concerned and at the same time to promote abstinence from the use of tobacco, the effects of which are not seen as soon but are none the less damaging.

It is gratifying to see the interest manifested by leaders in temperance issues of our Church. David Patterson won first place in the oratorical contest in the state of Pennsylvania and participated in the national oratorical contest conducted by the Woman's Christian Temperance Union held last September in Washington, D. C. Dr. D. H. Elliott wrote and published an effective temperance tract for which there has been a strong demand: it is entitled "The Coddled Octopus". Licentiate Kenneth McBurney has written an article tracing the history of the present stand of the Reformed Presbyterian Church with relation to the traffic in and use of intoxicants. This will appear shortly in the columns of **The Covenanter Witness**. We urge you to watch for it. Mrs. R. H. McKelvy has continued her splendid temperance teaching in the schools of Ontario.

Dr. Kermit Edgar represented our Church at the National Temperance and Prohibition Council held in January in Washington, D. C.

We have purchased a new film entitled **SPLIT SECOND**, prepared by the Safety Council of North Carolina. It shows by laboratory methods the dangers caused by just one drink of liquor. This is available to our congregations and Sabbath Schools and will be shown in our Summer CYPUs. We also hope to purchase at an early date the new cancer film called **Cancer By The Carton**. It depicts the deadly connection between smoking and lung cancer.

We wish to thank pastors and superintendents for their co-operation in respect to the quarterly temperance lessons in the Sabbath School and in the preaching of temperance sermons. The saving of even one person from yielding to temptation makes all your efforts worth while. It is still true that "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure."

The time for which John O. Edgar, and Kermit S. Edgar were chosen has expired, and their successors should be chosen by this synod.

We would recommend the following:

1. That our pastors and members testify to the need for the practice of abstinence and sobriety and for the freeing of our communities and our nation from the sin of legalized traffic in narcotics.

2. That our CYPU Staff be commended for inclusion of temperance teaching in planning their meetings; also that pastors and S.S. Superintendents and teachers be commended for their faithfulness in preaching and teaching.

3. That our members be encouraged to keep alert to the situation concerning needed legislation and by pursuant letters commend our legislators in taking their proper stand.

4. That the Temperance Committee be permitted to share in the Miscellaneous Fund to the extent of \$200.00, and that Sabbath Schools be encouraged to send an offering from Temperance Sabbath in October.

Respectfully submitted,

A. W. Smith, chairman

Kermit S. Edgar

Robert W. McMillan

J. E. McElroy

John O. Edgar

Mrs. R. H. McKelvy

R. Paul Wright, M. D.

The report of the Publication Board was again taken up. Item one A as amended by the Board was amended and adopted. Item one B was added and adopted. Item three was reconsidered, amended and adopted. Item four was added and adopted. The report was adopted and is as follows:

THE BOARD OF PUBLICATION REPORT

The Board of Publication respectfully reports that the past year has been a year of change. Some change was expected since our editor, Dr. Taggart, informed us early in the year that he would not be a candidate to succeed himself at this year's election, but that he hoped to fill out the term to which he had been elected.

This was not to be, however, and his unexpected passing following a seemingly successful operation, brought about several unexpected changes.

In this connection we quote a Resolution of Appreciation adopted by the Board:

D. Raymond Taggart, D.D., as editor of the **Covenanter Witness**, brought to the task his diversified capabilities as a student, missionary, teacher, pastor and preacher.

As a student, he was in constant search for new presentations for eternal truths, and gave these to the Church through the **Covenanter Witness**.

As a missionary, he considered, "The field is the world", and through the printed page, he felt himself a missionary reaching the world.

As a teacher, it is stated in the book, "Sketches of the Ministers", that "He has received offers to teach in various colleges, but has continued in the pastorate, considering it his highest opportunity to serve the Kingdom." His election to the editorship of the **Covenanter Witness** was to him an even higher opportunity and he attempted to choose material covering a wide range of interest, to attract the eye and mind of all ages.

Through the church paper, he became a minister to the Church at large. He had the Church in his heart as a pastor, and he desired that our church publication be in every home, for to him, it was a weekly pastoral call.

As a preacher, "His tongue was a ready writer's pen to speak about the King." He exhorted the flock through his vivid, unique, thought-provoking editorials and articles.

It will be difficult to replace him. It will be impossible to duplicate in one person again his many admirable accomplishments.

The Board of Publication takes humble pride in being associated with such a man in furthering the work of the Kingdom, and sincerely petitions the Master to send another of like capabilities and devotion to labor in this particular corner of His Vineyard.

Friday night after the funeral the Board met in the Topeka church to consider the immediate operation of the **Witness**. It was found that there was sufficient material on hand to get out several issues, and Mr. Willms, manager of the Herald Book and Publishing Company volunteered to get out the first week's issue without further help. A number of alternatives were discussed at length, but the final decision was that the Board should operate the **Witness** until Synod time.

A business management committee pro tem was appointed to familiarize themselves with details, consult with Mrs. Taggart, and to report to the Board the following week.

We wish to acknowledge gratefully the gracious assistance extended by Mrs. Taggart under trying conditions. She also agreed to look after the subscription list coming up for renewal after the first of the year, and has handled this tedious task most efficiently.

Mr. Don Fee, treasurer of the Topeka congregation, was appointed treasurer pro tem to attend to specified financial details.

The Board met again the following week and after prayer and careful consideration of the committee report, the Reverends Wyley Caskey and Wylie Dougherty accepted responsibility for the editorship on the co-editorship basis, and the Rev. Paul Faris and Rev. Joe Caskey and Dr. Paul Wright accepted responsibility for the memorial number and resolution of appreciation previously referred to. A business management committee was appointed consisting of A. D. Robb, Ross Latimer with Don Fee assisting treasurer pro tem.

The mailing address was changed to Winchester, Kansas, and we are happy to report that each week's paper has come out promptly and we believe with a minimum of typographical and other errors.

We also report that the 35 shares of Atchison common we were instructed by last year's Synod to sell, have been sold at a profit, and the proceeds invested in K. P. & L stock of which we now own 340 shares with a market value of \$10,880.00

We are happy to report that the payments of the Topeka property have come in as agreed, and have been deposited to the Endowment Fund Dr. Taggart requested and received permission to build up. This fund now consists of \$6,347.48 in cash with the church treasurer, 340 shares of K. P. & L stock, market value of \$10,880.00, and the balance of \$5,015.56 in the property, total \$22,243.04.

Publication of **Blue Banner Faith and Life** has been continued. The increase in number of subscribers has resulted in the customary printing of 1,000 copies of each issue being insufficient, accordingly the number is being changed to 1,200 starting with the July-September issue.

The Board thanks those ministers and laymen who responded to our request for articles to print in the **Witness**. Many of our readers have expressed a preference for articles by our own men.

Our financial statement attached herewith is, we believe, self-explanatory.

Recommendations:

1a. The Publication Board recommends that the Board continue the publication of the **Witness** and that Reverends Wyley Caskey and Wylie Dougherty continue in the editorship on a co-editor basis.

1b. That the amount formerly set aside for the editor's salaries be used to meet the expense of editing the **Witness**: 1st, that \$1,200 be used for the salaries of the co-editors; 2nd, that the rest be used for equipment or for secretarial help on the editorial or personal work of the co-editors.

2. We recommend that each minister of Synod send in at least one article during the coming year, also any laymen who wish to do so, to be placed on file for use in the **Covenanter Witness**.

3. Terms of A. D. Robb and Paul Wright, M. D., expire this year, and their successors should be chosen. Also the unexpired term of Dr. Taggart should be filled, that Rev. M. W. Dougherty's successor should be chosen and Rev. Wyley Caskey's unexpired term should be filled.

4. We recommend that M. W. Dougherty and R. W. Caskey be made ex officio members of the Board of Publication.

Respectfully submitted:
 Andrew D. Robb
 R. Paul Wright, M. D.
 J. M. Caskey
 Paul E. Faris
 J. G. Vos
 C. T. Carson
 Ross Latimer

THE COVENANTER WITNESS

Bank Balance per books 4/1/58 \$ 3,110.93

Receipts

Subscriptions - Congregation	6,145.77
Subscriptions - Individual	707.22
Budget	7,000.00
Advertising	186.16
Miscellaneous	<u>62.03</u>

Total Receipts..... 14,101.18

Total \$17,212.11

Disbursements

Salary, D. R. Taggart	2,550.00
Salary, Co-Editors	300.00
Help	290.50
Postage	256.28
Telephone	41.20
Miscellaneous	286.26
Herald Book & Printing Co.	<u>12,014.31</u>

Total Expenses \$15,738.55

Bank Balance per books 4/1/59 \$ 1,473.56

Checks outstanding 3/31/59

No. 426 dated 3/22/59	20.25
No. 427 dated 3/22/59	5.25
No. 430 dated 3/30/59	15.36
No. 431 dated 3/30/59	<u>30.00</u>
	<u>70.86</u>

Bills Payable as of 3/31/59

Herald Book & Printing Co.	1,018.66
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REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Wyley Caskey	\$ 22.73
Sales Tax	8.53
Mrs. Taggart - postage	<u>7.90</u>
Total	\$ 1,057.82

April 29, 1959

I certify above report is correct.
Stearns N. Belden, Auditor

SERVICE PRINT SHOP

Bank Balance 4/1/58	\$ 23.79
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Receipts

Stock Dividends	\$ 361.10
East Apartment	44.00
Ground Floor (Brown)	120.00
Miscellaneous	3.24
Sale A T & S F Stock	976.78
Sale of Building	<u>2,984.44</u>
Total Receipts	<u>\$4,489.56</u>
TOTAL	<u>\$4,513.35</u>

Disbursements

Salary, D. R. Taggart	383.33
Office Rent	175.00
Overhead	10.00
Postage	1.00
Advertising	2.00
Telephone	21.54
Remitted to Fox	2,847.48
Miscellaneous	<u>17.00</u>
Total Disbursements	<u>3,457.35</u>

Bank Balance 4/1/59 per books	\$1,056.00
One outstanding check No. 58 dated 3/31/59	<u>847.48</u>
Balance per Bank Statement	\$1,903.48

April 29, 1959

I certify above report is correct.
Stearns N. Belden, Auditor

FINANCIAL REPORT OF "BLUE BANNER FAITH AND LIFE"

Balance 4/1/58	\$1,172.82
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Receipts

Subscriptions	821.00
Contributions	866.75
Sales of back issues	35.50
Sales of binders	<u>12.50</u>

From Agent for Britain and Ireland.....	98.02	
From Agent for Australia and New Zealand	11.00	
Miscellaneous50	
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Total Receipts		\$1,845.27
TOTAL.....		<hr/> \$3,018.09

Disbursements

Printing magazines, envelopes, etc.	\$2,450.55	
Postage and postal fees	150.70	
Pressboard binders purchased.....	25.00	
Supplies purchased	50.51	
Bank service charges	7.58	
Office help employed	6.25	
Miscellaneous	5.95	
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Total Disbursements		\$2,696.54
Balance March 31, 1959		<hr/> \$ 321.55

J. G. Vos
Editor & Manager
Blue Banner Faith And Life

The officers of Synod were instructed to send a letter of appreciation to Mrs. D. R. Taggart for her work in connection with the publication of the *Covenanter Witness*.

The report of the Parliamentarians on a resolution presented by C. S. Sterrett was read, adopted and is as follows:

The Parliamentarians would report on the notice given by C. S. Sterrett that he intends to bring in adverse discussion to the constitutional law of the Church as related to political dissent. Inasmuch as he has given this notice in accordance with the law of the Church, this discussion must be allowed at the next Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. Fullerton
Luther McFarland
A. W. Smith

The report of the Board of Trustees of Geneva College was read by Miss Ethel M. Lytle, Secretary of the Board. Dr. E. C. Clarke, president of Geneva College, was heard regarding the work of the College. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF GENEVA COLLEGE

During the past year the Board of Trustees of Geneva College has held five regular meetings on the fourth Thursdays of October, January, March and May and on July 29th.

We feel that the College has been making progress during the past year in all phases of its operation. Report in more detail will be made by President Clarke, but we wish to take general notice of some phases in this report. The campaign for the Building Fund has been carried on in an efficient and constructive manner. The Board appreciates the support and cooperation that have been given by all groups who have been asked to contribute time and money. It will be necessary for this support to continue clear through to a successful conclusion.

The Board also notes with satisfaction a continuous strengthening in the spiritual and academic phases of the College's program. There has been continued and increasing activity and display of loyalty among the members of the Church and among other alumni.

The enrollment in the day school reached 836 this year and the total enrollment for the year was 2,789. Including both the June and the August sections of the Senior Class, it is expected that Geneva will graduate approximately 229 young men and women this year. At the June Commencement Exercises held on June 2nd the Commencement Address was delivered by the Reverend Robert J. Lamont, D.D., Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Honorary degrees were conferred upon four men and one woman:

Doctor of Divinity

The Reverend F. F. Reade, Pastor of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Almonte, Ontario

The Reverend John O. Edgar, Pastor of the Sharon Reformed Presbyterian Church, Morning Sun, Iowa

Doctor of Science

Ruth W. Wilson M.D., Beaver, Pennsylvania

Thomas B. Magee D.D.S., Ellwood City, Pennsylvania

Doctor of Humane Letters

The Reverend Robert J. Lamont D.D., Pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

The Baccalaureate Sermon was preached on the evening of May 31st by the Reverend Bruce C. Stewart, Pastor of the Greeley, Colorado, Reformed Presbyterian Church. His topic was, "You Can Take It With You," based on II Timothy 3:14. He referred to the eternal truths which can be taken with us throughout life after college years and into eternity.

The Board wishes to record its appreciation for the fine spirit of loyalty, cooperation and devotion to duty that exists in the Faculty, administration and staff of the College and we wish to say that we enjoy very much our work together with President Clarke and his co-workers.

The College exists in order to glorify God through helping young people grow spiritually, intellectually and physically in

His service. We thank Him whom we serve for the fine group of young men and women whom He sends to Geneva College. We appreciate the opportunity to work together with them both through the administration and through personal association.

The future needs and opportunities of Geneva College are challenging. Much remains and always will remain yet to be accomplished. For the many blessings and the many manifestations of God's goodness to us we are truly thankful. We pray that the Lord will continue to guide us in doing His will. We ask your prayers and the prayers of the Church that we may be given a rich measure of wisdom to carry out our duties and responsibilities.

We respectfully request that Dr. Edwin C. Clarke, President of the College, be heard concerning the College by the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Merrill Robb, President

The report of the Board of Corporators was read, adopted, referred to the Nominating Committee and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CORPORATORS OF GENEVA COLLEGE

Since our last report to Synod we have held three meetings: September 24, 1958, June 5, 1959 and June 8, 1959.

The officers elected for the coming year are as follows: John M. Allen, President; J. B. Willson, Vice President; and John H. Tweed, Secretary.

The following were elected to serve on the Board of Trustees of Geneva College for a term of three years to represent the Reformed Presbyterian Church: D. Howard Elliott, Robert Fullerton, Mrs. Willard Hemphill, Kenneth Kennedy, Walter Mandeville, C. B. Metheny and J. R. Patterson.

Frederick Bright was elected and John N. Sawyer reelected to represent the Alumni Association for a term of three years.

D. W. Kelso and Ralph E. Smith were reelected to represent the Business Men of Beaver Valley for a term of three years.

The following were elected and reelected to serve on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College for a term of three years: elected were J. D. Carson and John Mitchell; reelected were George D. Hill and Kenneth G. Smith.

The report of the Board of Trustees was read and ordered transferred to Synod.

The term of J. B. Willson has expired and his successor should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,
John H. Tweed, Secretary

Item No. 17 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee to Revise Chapter 11, section three of the *Book of Church Government* was read, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON ELECTING OFFICERS ONE YEAR IN ADVANCE

Your committee, appointed to consider the matter of electing the moderator and clerks of Synod one year in advance of each Synod, has carried on its work by correspondence, the distances (from Seattle, Washington, to Almonte, Ontario) being too great for personal conference.

The committee finds itself deadlocked on the proposition, the two ministerial members seeing no necessity for a change from the present custom of electing these officers, and the other two members favoring the change. It looks to us as necessary that the Synod itself decide the matter.

In order to aid the members of Synod in reaching a decision the following *pros* and *cons* are submitted:

Pros - In favor of the change:

The Moderator-elect would have time in which to brush up on Synod's Rules of Procedure. He would also have the opportunity to appoint many of his working committees before the actual meeting of Synod, who in turn, could complete their work in advance of Synod. The change would lessen the physical strain on the Moderator during Synod. As for the clerks there should be no objection to electing them a year ahead, even if they are to be continued in office; and when a change in office does occur it will be a distinct advantage to be able to plan their work ahead. Admitting the possibility of a Moderator-elect becoming incapacitated, there is the privilege of electing also an alternate at the same time who could take over if the Moderator, for any reason, were unable to do so. Synod has a definite responsibility to make the required changes in the **Book of Church Government** if a majority of the Court believe such changes are warranted.

Cons - Opposed to the change:

The proposed changes seem to be mainly for the benefit of the Moderator-elect: he would have a year in which to brush up on Synod's Rules of Procedure, thereby becoming a more efficient presiding officer and so able to expedite the business of the Court.

As over against this slight advantage there is the possibility, if not probability, that he either might die in the interim or become physically incapacitated. We have been known to elect honorary Moderators because of such possibilities becoming actualities. And who, then, is to determine when a Moderator-elect is not in a fit condition to serve?

As for the clerk and assistant clerk, they are ordinarily re-elected each year, anyway, therefore not requiring time for a special study of their duties. Moreover, when for any reason a clerk retires from office, the assistant clerk is almost always chosen to fill the vacancy. He would not need an additional year in which to brush up on the duties of his office.

As for the Moderator being able to appoint his working com-

mittees who could complete their work in advance of Synod, we might ask, for example, How are the members of the Judicial Committee to know what will be committed to them for consideration and report? or the Finance Committee? or any one of several other committees?

As a further point against electing the officers a year in advance would be the anomaly of a Moderator presiding over a Synod that did not elect him. And on top of all this is the necessity of altering Sec. 3 of chapter II of the **Book of Government**. A lot of the rank and file of our membership resent the books being changed so often that its use for them becomes impaired to the extent that they will soon be under the necessity of purchasing a revised edition.

The ministerial members of the committee, R. C. Fullerton and the chairman, are of the opinion that the proposed alteration is hardly important enough to warrant recommending the proposed change; whereas; the other two members, Dr. F. W. Huston and Mr. Joseph Lamont, Jr. think otherwise. In view of this deadlock we recommend that the Synod, in committee of the whole, vote on the proposal.

F. F. Reade, chairman

R. C. Fullerton

The vote called for in this report was against any change in the time of electing Synod's officers.

Synod took recess in prayer by Kenneth Kennedy.

Monday — 7:30 P. M.

Synod reconvened in prayer by Waldo Mitchel.

The roll was called.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

No report was presented from the Committee on the Signs of the Times.

A partial report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted.

The report of the Committee on Instrumental Music was read accompanied by a set of pictorial slides, adopted and is as follows:

SLIDE 1 Your committee on Instrumental Music is bringing its report by means of illustrated slides. This series has been prepared by your committee with the hope that it may be available for congregations to use. It is also hoped that this type of series may be continued through the support of Synod's Committee on Christian Education.

The title of this series is—"Church Music", or "Musical Instruments in Divine Worship". The purpose of this message is to answer the question—"Should Church Music be restricted to unaccompanied singing?"

SLIDE 2 Visitors attending the Reformed Presbyterian Church for the first time are often impressed by the praise service.

SLIDE 3 They notice that the words that are sung come from the Book of Psalms, set to music. And they also see that no instrumental accompaniment is used with the singing.

SLIDE 4 To many visitors, this seems a strange practice. Nearly all other churches they have attended use an instrument. And they naturally wonder why it is that the Reformed Presbyterian Churches sing God's Praise without this accompaniment. Some wonder if it is omitted because the Covenanter Church members do not like instrumental music at all, or if our churches possibly can not afford instruments. But actually, the omission of instruments from the praise service of the Church is not a result of preference, nor of taste. And it does not come from any desire to be peculiar. But rather it is a matter of conviction concerning the teaching of God's Word.

SLIDE 5 A few years ago, the Synod of the Church made this statement - "We reject all forms of will worship, especially the introduction of uninspired compositions in the worship of God, and the use of instruments in this service, as hindrances to that blessed fellowship with God of which the soul is capable, and urge the employment only of those pure spiritual forms which God has appointed in His Word." Our Church believes that mechanical instruments of music should not be used in God's Worship, and the instrument of the heart strings is the only instrument ordained of God. Our Church is not alone in this belief. Many famous Church leaders have recorded their statements against the use of mechanical instruments of music in worship.

SLIDE 6 John Calvin said - "Instrumental Music is not fitter to be adopted into the public worship of the Christian Church than the incense, the candlestick, and the shadows of the Mosaic law . . . In the music in Gospel times, we must not have recourse to these unless we wish to destroy the evangelical perfection, and to obscure the meridian light which we enjoy in Christ our Lord."

SLIDE 7 John Wesley said - "I have no objection to instruments being in our Chapels, provided they are neither heard nor seen."

SLIDE 8 Charles Spurgeon, one of the greatest Baptist preachers of all time, never used an instrument in his worship service of 10,000 people who regularly came to the Baptist Tabernacle in London, England. He said, "We should like to see all the pipes of the organs in our Nonconformist places of worship either ripped open or compactly filled with Concrete. Instrumental music with its flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of noise-makers, was no doubt well-suited to the worship of the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar, the king had set up, and harps and trumpets served well the infant estate of the Church under the law, but in the Gospel's spiritual domain, these may well be let go with all the other beggarly elements."

SLIDE 9 Adam Clarke, a Methodist distinguished for his excellent Commentary on the entire Bible, made the following statement - "I am an old man, and an old minister, and I here declare that I never knew them (Musical Instruments) productive of any good in the worship of God; and have had reason to believe that

they were productive of much evil. Music, as a science, I esteem and admire; but instruments of music in the house of God, I abominate and abhor."

SLIDE 10 J. W. McGarvey, writing in the tract, "What shall we do about the organ?", said, "It is manifest that we cannot adopt the practice, without abandoning the obvious and only ground on which a restoration of primitive Christianity can be accomplished, or on which the plea for it can be maintained."

SLIDE 11 To summarize what many of these men believed we find - Martin Luther, Lutheran, classed the organ "Among the ensigns of Baal". John Calvin, Presbyterian, said that instrumental music does not belong in the Christian Church any more than "the incense, the candlestick, and the shadows of the Mosaic Law." John Wesley, Methodist, said that he had no objection to the instruments in their chapel, "provided they are neither seen nor heard." Charles Spurgeon, Baptist, said that he would like to see the pipes of the organs "either ripped open or compactly filled with concrete."

SLIDE 12 In our modern day, several other churches follow the same practice of singing a capella in their worship services. "Churches of Christ which claim a membership of half a million, the Free Methodists and a number of smaller bodies, and the Holy Orthodox Apostolic Church, claiming one hundred million members do not use Instrumental Music in Worship."

SLIDE 13 But our reason for not using instruments is not because of what other churches do, or the opinions of famous men. Rather we go to the Word of God itself, to find what God has to say about His Worship. God created man with a desire to worship. It is almost impossible for man to live without worshipping something in some way. When God created man, he also gave him instructions in who he was to worship, and how he was to worship.

SLIDE 14 The first commandment says - "Thou shalt have no other Gods before me." We are forbidden to worship any other God but the living and true God. And the commands for how this worship is to be carried out were given to Moses, in the construction and details of the tabernacle.

SLIDE 15 The tabernacle had an intricate program of worship and service. The courts, the posts, the curtains and their use was all described in great detail. God's instruction did not leave man free to choose the way he wanted to worship. He wasn't given any liberty to worship according to his own tastes and desires. God restricted man to a specific program and pattern that he outlined. There were times when men tried to worship God in their own way. Saul disobeyed God in worship, and his kingdom was given to David. Nadab and Abihu offered strange fire to God, and they were struck dead for false worship. King Uzziah tried to take the place of the priest and was struck with leprosy.

SLIDE 16 From a careful study of illustrations such as these in God's Word, we see God's plan unfold. "From a careful study of what God revealed to the Hebrews through Moses, which, as well

as the New Testament, serves as an example for us, we can logically arrive at the conclusion that a Divine Warrant is necessary for every form of doctrine, government or worship in the church. Whatsoever in these spheres is not commanded in the Scriptures, either by express command, necessary inference or approved example is forbidden." Only worship that obeys these commands can be acceptable to God.

SLIDE 17 In the Old Testament, the tabernacle and Temple both used instrumental music in their worship. Almost every kind of instrument available was used – the harp, the sackbut, the psaltery, the trumpet are all spoken of as being used at times. Many of them were used in connection with the animal sacrifices, and some of them were used in accompanying the singing. These instruments were used as a symbol of joy, looking forward to the joy that would come when the Messiah would come to save the people from their sins.

SLIDE 18 During the latter part of the Old Testament and in the time of Christ, the Synagogue came into use. There was only one temple or tabernacle. And many times it was impossible for people to travel to Jerusalem for worship. The synagogues were the places where the people gathered outside of the temple. The worship in the synagogue was much simpler than the temple. In fact, the Christian church was patterned after the Synagogue and carries on much the same as the Synagogue was founded.

SLIDE 19 In their worship, the people read from God's Word, prayed together, sang the Psalms, and yet they never used an instrument to accompany their singing. It is worthy of notice that many instruments were available. They were still used in the Temple, but they were never a part of the simple Synagogue worship.

SLIDE 20 Christ worshipped in the Synagogues in his ministry. He read from the Scriptures and explained their truths. He too, sang the Psalms, but never with instrumental accompaniment. The early Church followed his example as the Apostles instructed the people to sing praise with the accompaniment of the Heart Strings. History points out that the only music of the early Church was vocal singing like that of the Hebrews in the synagogue. If instruments were authorized by Christ's teachings, the apostles would have been obliged to put them into the worship. They were commanded to teach the people all things that they had received of Christ.

SLIDE 21 The history of the Christian Church shows that instrumental music was never used in worship for several hundred years after Christ. "It is impossible to find anything concerning the origin of instrumental music in the New Testament. The Schaff-Herzog Encyclopedia of Religious Knowledge makes this statement concerning its origin – "In the Greek church, the organ never came into use. But after the eighth century, it became common in the Latin church, not, however, without opposition from the side of the Monks . . . The Reformed Church discarded it, and

though the church of Basil very early introduced it, it was in other places admitted only sparingly and after long hesitation." Many other encyclopedias and early church histories could be cited to show the origin of instrumental music in worship. All of them show quite definitely that its eventual use was an historical development, and not a revealed New Testament teaching.

SLIDE 22 Singing from the heart is the mode of music authorized by the New Testament. The Bible says - "Sing and make melody in your heart to the Lord," and "Sing with grace in your hearts to the Lord." This is the only authorized type of music to be used in God's praise.

SLIDE 23 Jesus Christ gave the example of a capella praise to his disciples. It is His command and example that we want to follow. Many men may argue in favor of using the instrument because of personal feelings or desires. But no man can say that God has authorized the use of instruments in His Worship, or that God even condones their use in New Testament worship. We must realize that to break Christ's command and example is sin, and to worship God in any other way not appointed in His Word is breaking His commandment.

SLIDE 24 We earnestly plead with all who love the Lord Jesus Christ to give serious study to this subject. It is reasonable to conclude that Christianity is only Christianity when it agrees with the teaching of Christ in His revealed Will. Any deviation from the doctrine or teaching of the New Testament, which is the teaching of Christ, is, of course, improper for the Christian and becomes heresy."

We would respectfully recommend -

1. That due to the lack of any recently published tracts on Instrumental Music, the Witness Committee either republish, reunite, or compose and print a new tract on this subject.
2. That this series of slides be duplicated and made available for congregational use by the Christian Education Board. (Cost of about \$3 to \$4 for 24 duplicate slides).
3. That a series of slides be prepared on each of our other distinctive principles, to be worked out by the Board of Christian Education.
4. That the expense of \$10.00 incurred in producing this series of slides be paid to the committee chairman.

Armour J. McFarland, Chairman

The report of the Oath Committee was read and taken up item by item.

Items one to three were adopted. Item four was referred to the Nominating Committee. The resignation of J. R. Patterson as chairman of the Committee was accepted and reference made to the Nominating Committee to name a new chairman. The report as

a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE OATH

Pursuant to the action of Synod a year ago defining the purpose and scope of the Oath Committee the committee has stood by on call to supply any information or help requested by members called upon to take the oath of allegiance to the Constitution of the United States.

Apart from a few requests for copies of the Explanatory Declaration, but one request for help has been received. Dr. Robert Gross who planned, for the next two years, to fill his military obligation by entering the Public Health Service, was accepted for appointment as a Commissioned Officer of the Public Health Service. When he submitted the required signed and notarized oath of office, however, with the signed Explanatory Declaration and letter explaining enclosed, his commission was denied, "as your religious convictions will not permit you to sign the Oath of Office without attaching your personal interpretation, I regret to state that you have not complied with one of the conditions for appointment and have not become a commissioned officer in the Reserve Corps of the Public Health Service."

The letter from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare to Dr. Gross denying him the commission was forwarded to the Chairman of the Committee for assistance. A letter was written to the Department by the Chairman stating that Dr. Gross was following the course prescribed by the Reformed Presbyterian Church for her members in taking the Oath to the Constitution, citing cases where the Explanatory Declaration had been accepted, enclosing a number of leaflets relative to the use of the Explanatory Declaration with the request that Dr. Gross' oath of allegiance be reconsidered. A letter from the Department was received acknowledging our letter and with the statement, "As it will be necessary for us to refer this question for legal consideration and advice, we cannot reply specifically to your letter at this time. You can rest assured, however, that we will notify you and Dr. Gross as soon as possible." This letter was dated April 15, 1959, and nothing further has been received.

We have talked to Dr. Gross in person since coming to this meeting of Synod and he has indicated his willingness to have his case tested in the courts, providing his acceptance is not forthcoming and providing such procedure would be handled largely by legal counsel so as not to involve much of his time.

In connection with this report we would like to call attention to the fact that oaths of allegiance and loyalty affidavits are required on the part of individuals receiving grants, stipends and the like, as **direct** Federal payments, and to students receiving loans under the Student Loan Program of the National Defense Education Act - Public Law 85-864. The form letter to presidents of colleges and universities calling their attention to Section 1001 (f) of the above act, states, "where the Congress has enacted

ted legislation of a most explicit nature, the scope of administrative discretion which is vested in this office is minimal."

Since these oaths of allegiance and loyalty affidavits must be submitted to the Department of Health, Education and Welfare which has thus far denied Dr. Gross' oath of allegiance with the Explanatory Declaration, a real problem will therefore face any of our members who may be contemplating participation in the National Defense Education Act student loan provision.

At the last meeting of Synod a paper by the late Dr. R. H. Martin was referred to this committee. It is our understanding that the paper was referred for filing and reference purposes only and no action on it was expected. No action on the paper has therefore been taken by the committee.

Recommendations:

1. That pastors be informed regarding the oath of allegiance and loyalty affidavits requirement of the National Defense Education Act and be prepared to inform and assist any of their members in the use of the Explanatory Declaration when seeking a student loan from the Federal government under this act.

2. That a form be prepared by the committee to be signed by the administering official when administering the Oath with the Explanatory Declaration, the same to be returned to the committee for permanent filing.

3. That the Committee be authorized to engage legal counsel for testing in the courts the case of Dr. Robert Gross should his commission on the basis of the Explanatory Declaration not be granted.

4. The terms of C. T. Carson, Wyley Caskey and Willard Hemphill expire with this meeting of Synod and their successors should be chosen.

Respectfully submitted,
J. R. Patterson, Chairman
David M. Carson
W. H. Russell, Ph.D.
Charles R. McBurney
Willard Hemphill
Charles T. Carson

The officers of Synod were instructed to inquire by letter of the Department of Health, Education and Welfare concerning the case of Dr. Robert Gross and his problem with the oath.

The time of adjournment was extended until 9:30 P. M.

The report of the Committee on Evangelism was read and taken up item by item. Items one through eight and ten were adopted. Item nine was referred to the Nominating Committee. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE EVANGELISM COMMITTEE

"DO THE WORK OF AN EVANGELIST, MAKE FULL

PROOF OF THY MINISTRY.” Probably no man in Synod would disagree with this directive of Scripture, but at least the majority of us realize that we need this directive emphasized in our thinking, and implemented in the various ministries to which the Lord has called us.

Synod’s committee confesses a great lack of activity in the work which Synod has asked of us in the past year. We have felt that the self-examination, and consideration of our work, which we have been forced to evaluate by Synod’s Long-Range Committee has been most helpful. We desire the Synod to understand in its consideration of the body of this report, and especially in adopting any of the recommendations, that the members of this committee pledge themselves to earnestly carry out the work which Synod will approve.

We are attempting to carry out a program on a three-fold purpose: first . . . to inspire and encourage the pastors and laymen of the Covenanter Church to accept the challenge and command of Christ to take His salvation to the unsaved. Second . . . to help educate pastors and laymen of the Church in Biblical methods, the “how” of actually witnessing for the claims of Christ. Third . . . to help relate the specific aspect of Evangelism to the total commission given to the Church to bring men to maturity in Christ, in accordance with the definition of evangelism as adopted by Synod in 1949.

We wish to emphasize this sphere of the Church’s program as absolutely necessary to sustain the life of the Church and promote normal growth. A priority of purpose, time, energy, education and expense must be considered in determining the place that this work is to hold in the over-all thrust of our Church. If we continue to try to carry an increasing structure of valuable work for the Lord in other areas such as Foreign Missions, Publications, Youth Work, Social Reforms, etc., while the group which supports these programs dwindles, we leave it to each man in Synod to determine when the structure must collapse.

The Synod is aware of the actuality of decline in the Church. This committee feels a responsibility to do our part to provide a program which, if conscientiously carried out by members of this Synod will result in a change in attitude, life, and statistics in our Church.

In order that the purposes of this committee may be accomplished we make the following recommendations and ask your prayers and cooperation in carrying out the work of evangelism throughout the Church.

We recommend:

1. That each Presbytery appoint a committee on Evangelism and that these committees work out programs for evangelistic emphasis for their Presbyteries. The names of the members of these committees and the projected programs shall be sent to Synod’s committee before next Synod for recommendations and suggestions.

2. That each Presbytery conduct a "Seminar" on Evangelism at the next regular meeting of Presbytery or at a special meeting under supervision of Presbytery before next Synod. Each Presbytery to bring in experienced personnel to lead these Seminars, following some such general program as the "day's schedule" in the recent Pastor's Refresher Course. The expenses of these speakers to be paid from the grant of Synod to this committee where Presbyteries cannot meet the bills.

3. That each Session formulate a plan for systematic evangelistic visitation by their respective congregations in the area surrounding their churches and implement these plans during this coming year. Reports of the carrying out of these plans to be returned to Synod's committee.

4. That every pastor with his Session initiate a regular systematic plan of evangelistic preaching at least once a month. This service to be announced and publicized with due urging to the congregation to bring unsaved friends and acquaintances to these services. That these sermons be carefully and prayerfully planned and opportunity be given in these services for persons to respond to the Gospel of Christ, exercising care, wisdom, and vigilance in bringing those who respond into full membership of the Church.

5. That Synod's committee gather materials that are available, also publish and print its own materials for use for two purposes: 1. materials to promote and guide the work of evangelism, and 2. materials to be used in doing evangelism. These would be available from our committee in quantities.

6. That the expenses of the members of this committee attending a meeting of the committee during the year be paid. We find it impossible to do the proper work of this committee without such meetings.

7. That Bible Mastery Month be observed during February 1960 using the Book of James.

8. That the responsibility for and the carrying out of Bible Mastery Month be transferred to Synod's Board of Christian Education as of the Synod of 1960.

9. That the successors be chosen at this meeting of Synod for the members whose terms have expired. Milton L. Harrington, R. J. Huey, Wilmer Piper.

10. That \$2,000 be made available from the Miscellaneous Fund for the Committee's Work. (This amount has been included in the Coordinating Committee's Budget.)

Respectfully submitted,
Paul E. Faris
R. Paul Robb
M. W. Dougherty
Charles McBurney
Frank L. Stewart
Don McClurkin

The report of the Long Range Committee was made the order of the day following devotions on Tuesday.

Charles R. McBurney was named as chairman of the Oath Committee to replace J. R. Patterson.

The report of the Young People's Secretary was read, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRETARY

"Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth." (Ps. 45:16) It has been a great thrill to your secretary to be able to witness and share in the Lord's work of molding children to become princes for His Name over the past months! To be able to visit in congregations, to watch a growing concern for the tender lives, to see enthusiastic products of the years of training...all these indicate that the prayers of the Church are being answered and that our Sovereign God has a great work for us in the days ahead.

Encouragements

Tangible evidences of these things cannot be measured mathematically, yet there are indicative signs. There seems to be increasing response on the part of many to see their lives used by the Lord through the Church, and they are making themselves available. Attendance at and results of the National Convention at Koronis showed a definite eagerness regarding the call to service. Eighty-four (84) responded to "dedication of life", twenty-four (24) indicated a desire for "occupational service", sixteen (16) professed to have been granted the "assurance of salvation", and twenty-three (23) claimed to have "received Christ as Saviour." In the past year a number of new societies have been started; and a number of presbyterial Secretaries have taken steps to get their programs better organized.

Of great encouragement in connection with the office itself are the gifts of equipment including an eight-foot conference table and eight folding chairs from a Syracuse couple, and most recently a new Stenorette dictaphone from the Bloomington Sabbath School. Many have gladly given of their time and efforts to the youth program, not least of whom are Misses Twila Blackwood and Phyllis Perry who donate on the average of 7 hours per week to paper work. The National Staff has worked hard this year to get underway on their four-year plan of work and have been a wonderful team with whom to work.

Perspective

Whereas the first year of my term was spent in getting acquainted with the Church and studying problems, this past year has been primarily a year of projecting plans for the future. What should be the direction and means of an effective youth program? Since no such program stands alone, but must fit into the overall picture of the Church, it cannot be evaluated separately. Having then observed our work in most congregations, having studied the

concepts of youth work, and having consulted with various qualified persons, your Secretary sincerely believes that the Church would greatly benefit from an overall program of Christian education, pulling together all phases of religious training from early childhood to adult service. Some of the benefits to the youth department alone would be that conferences could be planned from the viewpoint of the family, publications could be coordinated so as to contribute to our whole perspective, related groups such as juniors, intermediates, and young people could be coordinated not only among themselves but also with the Sabbath School program, the training of leadership would be facilitated in that one program of education could be presented instead of several. Both the counsel of skilled leaders in the field of Christian Education and the urgent need stress the wisdom of immediate action in this direction.

Activities

Specific activities in the areas of assigned responsibility with the staff during the past year include the following:

CONFERENCES:

- a. A self-study by all members of the Koronis staff of the National Convention to aid in future planning.
- b. A system of follow-up for those making definite commitment at summer conferences.
- c. Participation in Pittsburgh Presbytery's Camp-O-Day.
- d. Planning a spring Prayer Conference.

PUBLICATIONS:

- a. Maintained the publishing of the **Meeting Plans** and the **Goal Post** . . . through the work of their respective editors, Don Felker and Wendell Spear.

COUNSELLING:

- a. Visited considerable number of congregations to contact youth and give suggestions to their leadership.
- b. Spent one day per week for three months on the Geneva campus to confer with students regarding their future.

COORDINATION:

- a. Organized the National Staff into four committees on the basis of plan-of-work: publication, finance, manpower, and organization-outreach.
- b. Conducted historical research into organizational background of C.Y.P.U.

TRAINING:

- a. Participated in Pacific Coast Leadership Training School, and directed the planning for the National School, June 10-17.
- b. Instructed one hour per week in "Practical Evangelism" in the Seminary, and oversaw fieldwork of a student assigned to the youth office.
- c. Accepted speaking engagements on three particular

projects accompanied by students who participated in the program.

Recommendations:

In the light of existing need and benefits to be gained, your secretary would respectfully recommend:

- 1. That the Synod combine the work of the Young People's Secretary with a new department of Christian Education, and that his work be assigned to a Director of Christian Education for the Developing of an overall program of Christian Education as per Synod's Long-Range Planning Committee.
- 2. That pastors and sessions examine their programs in order that they might be using those youth in their congregations desiring to serve and others who might come to the area.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth G. Smith,
Young People's Secretary

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF
SYNOD'S YOUNG PEOPLE'S SECRETARY

April 1, 1958 - March 31, 1959

Receipts

Synod's Treasurer	\$ 800.00	
Congregations for preaching	730.00	
Personal Contributions	201.30	
Toward Expenses	377.43	
Miscellaneous (refunds, etc.)	152.07	
Total Receipts		\$2,260.80

Disbursements

Travel		
Fares, gasoline, and auto upkeep	964.57	
Highway tolls	58.45	
Food	79.62	
Lodging	54.30	
Office		
Rent	145.00	
Equipment	91.91	
Supplies	180.90	
Phone	113.97	
Postage	76.30	
Miscellaneous	4.00	
Staff Expenses	77.25	
To Synod's Treasurer	241.31	
Young People's Secretary	145.00	
(two communions & vacation preaching)		
Total Disbursements		\$2,232.58
March 31, 1959, Balance		\$ 28.22

Synod was adjourned in prayer by S. B. Willson

Tuesday, June 9, 1959 – 8:45 A. M

Synod met pursuant to adjournment and was constituted in prayer by F. E. Allen.

The roll was called.

Following the devotional service, the minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The Rev. James W. Calderwood of the Brady congregation of the Western Presbytery of Ireland was introduced to the Court and brought the greetings of the Irish Synod.

A letter of greeting from the Rev. William Young, moderator of the Irish Synod, was read and referred to the moderator for reply.

The speakers at the devotional services of Synod were requested to prepare articles for the *Covenanter Witness* using the material in their addresses.

In accordance with the action of Synod in re-aligning the eastern presbyteries, the Philadelphia Presbytery was dissolved in prayer by L. E. Kilpatrick.

The report of the Long Range Planning Committee was again taken up. Item five was stricken out. Item six was adopted. Items seven, eight and nine were stricken out. Item ten was adopted. Item 11 was stricken out. Item 12 was amended three times and adopted. Item 13 was stricken out. Items 14 and 15 were adopted. Item one as amended by the committee was presented and item one A was adopted and referred to the Nominating Committee. Item one B was adopted. Item two as amended by the Committee was presented. Items two A, B, C, were adopted. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE

This is the report of the committee appointed by Synod in accordance with the following actions:

“In order that the needs for manpower in the Church can be known and that youth can be encouraged to become trained to fulfill these objectives, Synod instructed 21 committees and Boards of the Church and the W.S.M.S. to outline in writing their purpose and long range objectives, to be reported at the next Synod.”

(Minutes Synod 1958, p. 58)

A second request was worded as follows:

“That Synod set up a long range, forward looking plan for all departments of the Church, with special emphasis on the Foreign Mission, the Seminary, and the Young Peoples Secretary's Program.”

(Minutes Synod 1958, p. 67)

In response to both these:

“A special committee was ordered appointed to coordinate

the long range programs to be developed by the various departments of the Church called for in the reports of the Young People's Secretary and the Elders' Conference."

(Minutes Synod 1958, p. 67.)

The Committee met three times for a total of 25 hours work:

First, to draw up a questionnaire which was sent to each of the committees and boards named. (3 hours) Second, to evaluate the reports returned. (19 hours) Third, to write and approve of the final working of the report. (3 hours)

All but one of the committees, The Committee on Signs of the Times, reported in compliance with the request of Synod. One report arrived the day after the meeting was held and three reports came in after the meeting began. However, in 8 cases the report was made by only one member of the committee without any other committee approval. In several other stated cases it was only a partial report. We wish to commend all the committees and boards for the many hours of tedious work represented in these reports and call to Synod's attention this fine response to their instructions. This report now being read was made possible by the wholeheartedness of that response and represents time, work, and careful thought from all areas of the Church.

I EVALUATION

Using the information at hand, the following general facts became apparent to the committee:

1. Organizational

1. There are basic misunderstandings and confusions of purpose within some committees and boards.

2. There is an overlapping of responsibility and effort.

3. There has been a remarkable failure in some cases to carry out the designated and admitted purpose.

4. There have been definite problems of intra-Committee co-operation and participation caused by many factors:

a. Some committees are too scattered and, cannot or have not made transportation provisions—have not met for years.

b. Some committee members are too busy with too many other committees.

c. Some committee members have too little interest in the purpose of the committee to which they were appointed—even to write in response to letters of inquiry sent by the chairman.

d. Some committees have made little effort to educate their new members.

e. Some committee members have not been informed of their appointments.

5. A majority of the reporting boards and committees have indicated a need for promotional material.

6. There is need for a handbook showing and describing the

purposes, executive structure, membership, and intra-church relationships of the various boards and committees.

7. In some instances too little attention has been paid to existing committees before new committees have been appointed.

8. Some committees could use some new blood and some new blood needs to have some committee responsibilities.

2. Membership Trends

Concerning Statistical Membership Trends:

A review of a statistical research paper prepared by Lic. R. McFarland as partial requirement for a graduate degree in Education makes it painfully obvious that the Church is facing a time of most serious crisis when emergency measures are imperative to the very existence of the Christ Centered Testimony so greatly needed in the U.S. today. Using figures prepared by Lic. Robert McFarland as a statistical research project received and approved as part of the requirements for a graduate degree in Education, we would like to call Synod's attention to three particular areas of concern in any long range planning.

Our total communicant membership and its trends are of vital importance in any long range planning. Total N. A. Communicant Membership has gone from 10,093 members in 1878 down to 4,869 members in 1958. (There was only one decade in this 80 year period that showed any increase in membership; viz. 1878: 10,093; 1888: 10,970.) The average loss per year has been 65 members. The average size of a congregation today is 66.7 members which means that we have been losing one congregation per year for the past 80 years. Using these trends it would be quite easy to predict a death date for many congregations and some Presbyteries, that would be well within the life expectancy of a majority of this Synod. These figures would seem to indicate the need for immediate action.

The location of the existing membership and trends of the membership are also important factors in any long range planning and these have changed remarkably in recent years. The Presbyteries in the east, i.e., east of the Illinois Presbytery, have lost much more rapidly than those in the west. From 1878 to 1958, Presbyteries WEST of Illinois Presbytery lost a total of 186 members. In that same period, Presbyteries EAST of Illinois Presbytery lost a total of 5,038 members. New York Presbytery went from 2,724 members in 1878 down to 482 members in 1958. Pittsburgh Presbytery went from 2,478 to 1,323, a loss of 1,155 members. With the exception of Kansas and the West Coast, all other Presbyteries in the church realized a loss of almost half of their members in the last 80 years. This has also caused a great shifting in the geographical center of this church membership. In 1878 nearly 75% of the total communicant membership lay east of Illinois Presbytery (2,624 west and 7,464 east.) In 1958 for the first time in the history of the Church, more than 50% of the Church's total communicant membership lay WEST of the Illinois Presby-

tery. (2,438 west, and 2,431 east.) The trend has been gradual but steady and is important in making any long range plans.

The trends in ministerial membership are also of vital importance in long range planning. In 1878 there were 104 ordained ministers. In 1958 there were 103. However, in 1898 only 20 were in "other work", meaning that 81% were in the pastorate. In 1958, 47 are in "other work", and only 55% are in the pastorate. Synod should take careful cognizance of these facts in making long range appointments involving more pastors. There is a remarkably close and direct ratio between the number of congregations going out of existence and the number of congregations without pastors. In 1938 we had 89 congregations and 15 of them were without pastors. In 1948 we had 75 congregations and 14 of them were without pastors. Today we have at least 16 congregations without pastors and the Mission Programs of the Church should be constantly aware of these facts. There are requests on these committee reports for 20 more ministers in the next five years.

These membership trends, Presbyterian re-adjustments, and ministerial trends, indicate something of the seriousness of our present position and the need for emergency measures.

Beyond these general statements, the committee confines this report to a series of recommendations which we believe will contribute to a single, well-coordinated long range program for the whole Church.

II RECOMMENDATIONS

We recommend:

1. That a new department be established combining the work of the present Boards and Committees as follows:

1. Board of Christian Education
2. Synod's C.Y.P.U. Secretary
3. Bible Studies Committee
4. Bible Reading Committee
5. Committee on Sabbath School Materials
6. Committee of Christian General Education
7. Committee on D.V.B.S.*Materials

This new department is to be called The Department of Christian Education; functioning under a board to be known as the Board of Christian Education; employing a Director of Christian Education, to be elected by Synod, with power on the part of the Board to employ secretarial help sufficient to direct and coordinate the following educational and Youth Programs of the Church:

- C. Y. P. U. Youth Work
- Summer Conferences
- Juniors & Intermediates
- Teaching Training
- Sabbath School Publications
- D. V. B. S.
- Bible Studies
- Bible Reading

1a. That the Board of Christian Education be 15 in number, with 5 to be elected each year for a term of 3 years.

Five to be elected this year for a term of one year.

Five to be elected this year for a term of two years.

Five to be elected this year for a term of three years.

That there be one of these representatives from the W.S.M.S.

That at least nine of these representatives be from the mid-west area.

1b. That the Boards and Committees being incorporated into the new Board of Christian Education continue to function until, during this year, their work can be assimilated into the united program; at which time all their assets and liabilities will be committed to the oversight of the new Board. The coordinated work of these boards and committees to be reported by the new Board of Christian Education at the next Synod.

2. With reference to the Home Mission Board, we recommend:

2a. That the name of the present Home Mission Board be changed to be The Board of Home Missions and Church Extension, and that its work be **primarily initiatory** and **secondarily** supervisory. When Synod is ready to proceed to the election of a man to work under this board, he shall be known as The Field Secretary.

2b. That the following be recommended to The Home Mission Board as its statement of policy:

A. Home Missions

a. *Definition of "area" of work* – This area of Board's responsibility to be fulfilled in conjunction with presbyteries.

1. Determine races, cultures, needy regions segments of society that might be considered proper groups for specific "mission" thrust in the United States today. Such groups as American Indians, Jews, Orientals, Colored, Backward Areas, Catholics, University and College groups etc. should be carefully considered.

2. Evaluate the present missions, and in the light of findings from Item 1, recommend to Synod future Home Mission endeavors.

3. Continue oversight of missions, including building, personnel, etc. of such projects.

B. Church Extension

a. *Definition of "area" of work* – This area of Board's responsibility to be primarily executed *through presbyteries*.

The Board to require:

1. That each Presbytery appoint a committee of Home Missions and Church Extension.

2. That these committees help each congregation within bounds of their respective Presbyteries to evaluate their present location and future opportunity. Factors such as type of community, trends in community, centrality of church for members, etc. to be considered. Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to **help set up standards for evaluation** of locations and opportunities. The Board to see that Presbyteries do the work. The Board to be in a counselling capacity.

3. Examination of areas in bounds of Presbytery which are most likely areas for new churches, also most strategic areas. The locale of Covenanter groups in areas without churches to be considered. Presbyteries are to determine, with counsel from the Board, after evaluation, which field to be next in line for new work. (Book of Government – Page 235 – Paragraph 6)

4. Board of Home Missions and Church Extension with help coordinate new works across the Church to avoid undue development in any area.

5. Workers in new fields to be directly responsible to Presbytery, which shall be responsible under Synod's Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

6. Board of Home Missions and Church Extension to continue to help and advise struggling congregations. . . .through Presbyteries, and to make recommendations as to future fields in cases of dying areas or churches.

2c. That Synod direct the Committee on Evangelism to make tangible suggestions in the field of soul winning and to implement these suggestions for the presbyteries and congregations.

3. That the Prayer Meeting Topics Committee be renamed to be The Prayer Meeting Committee and that the PRIMARY responsibility of this committee be that of promoting the undergirding and upholding the work of the Church through weekly congregational prayer; the SECONDARY responsibility to be that of promoting growth in grace in the lives of those attending a weekly congregational prayer meeting.

4. That in view of the critical need for literature in their field, Synod direct The Witness Committee to make its purpose that of bearing witness to the distinguishing principles of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, as they are related to the whole testimony of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.

6. That Synod appoint the Church Treasurer to be an additional and permanent member of the Stewardship Committee and that the committee re-examine the whole program of giving.

10. That ministerial members be limited to three (3) boards or permanent committee appointments per person at one time.

12. That Synod appoint a permanent committee, to be known as the Coordinating Committee, whose responsibility it shall be to act and to report to each Synod the coordinated budget made up by receiving and processing the yearly requests of the various boards and committees of the Church. The ministerial members of this committee to be representatives of their presbyteries, appointed for a two year term on a rotating basis with four presbyteries appointing a member each year, the Illinois, Iowa, Midwest and New York Presbyteries on the even years, and the Ohio, Pacific Coast, Pittsburgh and St. Lawrence Presbyteries on the uneven years; the ruling elders to be appointed annually by their presbyteries; and that each board or committee presenting a request to the Coordinating Committee give an itemized summary of its expenditures in the past year and of its proposed budget for the coming year.

14. That Synod act to urge all her members to keep all evenings and other times free of family and other extra-Synod activities.

15. That Synod reappoint this committee to make further study and recommendations regarding the long range balance of personnel and finances.

K. G. Smith
Roy Blackwood
K. S. Edgar
C. R. Fox
R. B. McCracken

J. B. Willson requested that his dissent to the approval of this report be recorded.

In accordance with Item one, Synod, after prayer by A. D. Robb and J. C. Mitchel, proceeded to elect by secret ballot a Director of Christian Education. Kenneth G. Smith was nominated and elected.

The report of the Finance Committee was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Finance Committee would respectfully report:

The following financial reports which have been audited have been referred to the Committee: Synod's Board of Trustees; Report of the Treasurer of the Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Report of the Treasurer of the Women's Synodical Missionary Society of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

The treasurer's report of the Jewish Mission Board was also before the Committee.

The records of the Pastor's Refresher Course were audited by J. G. Betts.

These reports were reviewed and found in order and we have found no deviation from the directions of Synod in the use of funds.

We recommend:

1. That the Committee on the Pastor's Refresher Course for 1961 be authorized to appeal to the Coordinating Committee in 1960 for funds.

2. That the expense of the Committee in Charge of Sponsorship of Covenanter Refugees for \$11.69 be paid by Synod's Treasurer from the Miscellaneous fund.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. Robb
George S. Coleman
J. G. Betts
George McFarland
R. Paul Mathews

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA

To the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America

Dear Brethren:

We herewith present our annual report and that of your Treasurer for the year ending March 31, 1959. Again we are mindful of the many Blessings bestowed upon us as a Church by our Heavenly Father and it is with humility and thanksgiving that we present our report.

Bequests Received

Dr. Susan Willson Wiggins, Pittsburgh, Pa., Foreign Mission	\$ 1,922.07
D. T. Torrens, Kansas City, Kansas, Foreign Mission	100.00
Dr. Mary Nesbitt, Berwick, N. S., Foreign Mission	1,000.00
Mary J. Steele, Philadelphia, Pa., Foreign Mission Endowment Fund	11,265.55
Cecil Bowes, Carleton Place, Ont., Vanada, Foreign Mission	514.22
Joseph M. Steele, Philadelphia, Pa., Foreign Mission	1,932.08
Anna M. Johnson, Los Angeles, Calif., Foreign Mission	4,837.16
Dr. Susan Willson Wiggins, Pittsburgh, Pa., Witness Committee	1,922.07
D. T. Torrens, Kansas City, Kansas, Home Mission	100.00
Dr. Mary Nesbitt, Berwick, N. S., Home Mission	1,000.00
John L. Wright, Denison, Kansas, Synod's Board	4,328.57
Mary E. Allen, New Kensington, Pa., Synod's Board	1,000.00
William R. White, Kittanning, Pa., Synod's Board	1,165.11

81,086.78

Our Books Show the Following

Invested Funds	\$ 21,579.75
General Annuity Funds	84,289.20
Stocks	1,971,828.23
Mortgages	125,246.23
Total Endowments under our care	1,658,619.44

of which \$991,773.69 is for the benefit of Geneva College. In addition Geneva has \$338,468.91 not invested through our office, on which they receive dividends direct, making their total endowment fund \$1,830,242.60

Earnings for the year ending March 31, 1959	\$ 138,143.43
Earnings for the year ending March 31, 1958	136,373.66
Office Expense for the year ending March 31, 1959	9,305.41
Office Expense for the year ending March 31, 1958	8,448.01
Cash Receipts for the year ending March 31, 1959	386,199.06
Cash Receipts for the year ending March 31, 1958	490,983.08
Cash Disbursements for the year ending March 31, 1959	397,417.88
Cash Disbursements for the year ending March 31, 1958	463,834.67

A dividend of 6% was paid to
the departments of the Church
from the earnings of the past year

For Synodical Action

The terms of Messrs. John M. Allen and C. B. Metheny, L.L.D., as members of Synod's Board and the appointment of John W. Anderson to fill the unexpired term of James W. Young, expires with the meeting of this Synod. Their successors should be elected at this meeting.

Chester R. Fox, Secretary

Departmental Endowment Funds

Geneva College	\$1,330,242.60
Foreign Missions	111,759.32
Syrian Mission	14,797.83
China Mission	42,792.78
Theological Seminary	86,852.92
Ministerial Relief	51,785.42
Students Aid	17,476.88
Pension Plan	20,000.00
Southern Mission	15,725.24
Home Mission	88,128.93
Indian Mission	4,138.54
Jewish Mission	2,333.32
Witness Work	2,883.34
Aged Peoples Home	19,680.00
Board of Church Erection	3,400.00

\$1,827,797.14

Funds Functioning as Endowments

Balance April 1, 1958	31,493.72
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RECEIPTS

Jewish Mission	779.79
Burwell Hospital	1,659.53
John L. Wright, Estate - Synod's Budg.	1,000.00

3,439.32

34,933.04

DISBURSEMENTS

To Undesignated Budget Account .	1,000.00
To Endowment Funds - Pension Plan	4,000.00
To Endowment Funds -	
Board of Publication ...	3,500.00

8,500.00

Balance March 31, 1959	26,433.04
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Which belongs to the following departments

Southern Mission	10,392.89
Home Mission	7,086.00
Indian Mission	1,688.49
Jewish Mission	3,606.13
Oath Committee	2,000.00
Burwell Hospital Building Fund ..	1,659.53

26,433.04

General Mortgage Account

Balance April 1, 1958	115,982.49
Payments on account	6,943.18
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	109,039.31
Mortgages Placed	12,487.19
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Balance March 31, 1959	121,526.50

General Mortgage Interest Account

Receipts - Income from mortgages	5,916.99
Disbursements - To Gross income account	5,916.99

David Gregg Mortgage Account

Balance April 1, 1958	3,990.28
Payments on account	270.55
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Balance March 31, 1959	3,719.73

David Gregg Income Account

Receipts - From Mortgages and stocks	11,687.74
Disbursements - To Gross Income Account	11,687.74

David Gailey Income Account

Receipts - Dividends from stocks	3,346.78
Disbursements - Geneva College	3,346.78

General Investment Stock Account

Balance April 1, 1958	893,449.63
Stocks Purchased.....	37,096.28
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	930,545.91
Stocks sold	19,927.50
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Balance March 31, 1959	910,618.41

Dividends-General Investment Stock Account

Receipts	63,017.41
To Gross income account	63,017.41

David Gailey Stock Account

Balance April 1, 1958	59,721.31
Balance March 31, 1959	59,721.31

David Gregg Stock Account

Balance April 1, 1958	155,711.88
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Balance March 31, 1959.....	155,711.88
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Geneva College Stock Account

Balance April 1, 1958	808,607.60
Stocks Purchased	17,424.17
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Stocks Sold	826,031.77
	5,430.50
Balance March 31, 1959.....	820,601.27

Dividends - Geneva College Stock Account

Receipts	38,606.01
Disbursements - Geneva College	38,606.01

Ford Foundation Income Account

Receipts - Dividends from stocks	6,874.05
Disbursements - Geneva College	6,874.05

Dr. Clarence E. Macartney Scholarship No. 2 Income Account

Receipts	1,205.00
Disbursements - Geneva College	1,205.00

Dr. George M. & Agnes Lymer Reed Income Account

Receipts - Dividend from stocks	2,342.32
Disbursements - Geneva College	2,342.32

Frances McC. Patterson Income Account

Receipts - Dividend from stocks	516.00
Disbursements - Geneva College	516.00

Gross Income Account

RECEIPTS

Interest & Dividends from Investments	138,143.43
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DISBURSEMENTS

To Sundry Account	\$118,018.14
To Contingent Account.....	20,125.29
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138,143.43

Contingent Account

Balance April 1, 1958	191,195.43
Receipts - From Gross Income Account	20,125.29
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211,320.72

Disbursements - Equipment & Moving Office ...	238.35
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Balance March 31, 1959	211,082.37
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Cash Account

Balance April 1, 1958	55,349.90
Receipts - Collections.....	386,199.06
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441,548.96

Disbursements	397,417.88
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Balance March 31, 1959.....	44,131.08
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Office Expense**RECEIPTS**

From Gross Income Account	9,305.41
Rent - Christian Laymens Ass'n.....	30.00

9,335.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	6,937.46
Rent.....	1,062.48
Phone.....	154.11
Auditor	300.00
Office Supplies	232.29
Social Security	149.44
Delegates	118.33
Stationery & Envelopes	171.85
Wall Street Journal	20.00
Postage	97.50
Bond on Treasurer	25.00
Rental - Safe Deposit	33.00
Miscellaneous	33.95

9,335.41

Home Mission Board

Balance April 1, 1958	12,842.87
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RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	1,692.90
Designated Collections	1,022.10
Dr. Mary Nesbitt, Estate.....	1,000.00
D. T. Torrens, Estate	100.00
Los Angeles Mission	85.00
Wichita Mission	12.00
Chao Family	5.00
Refund - Out of bound members committee	2.00
Special Project, Synodical W. M. S....	1,019.35
Dividend from Endowment Funds	5,287.74
Dividend from Gregg Fund	3,330.99
Interest - Funds Funct. as Endowment	212.58

13,769.66

26,612.53

DISBURSEMENTS

Parnassus-Manchester Mission.....	110.00
Moving Expense, Robert McMillan.....	250.00
Printing - Cards	23.50
Charles H. Chao	1,200.00
Chao Family	205.00
J. G. McElhinney - Expense	900.00

Community House	25.00
Phone Calls	18.75
Travel Expense	144.41
Rent.....	687.50
Out of bound members committee	73.68
Los Angeles Mission-Special Project.	254.84
Phoenix Mission - Special Project	254.84
Wichita Mission - Special Project	254.83
Lisbon Mission - Special Project	254.84

Supplements:

Pittsburgh Presby.....	2,424.89
Pacific Coast Presby. ...	1,968.30
St. Lawrence Presby.	2,074.98
Midwest Presby.	1,699.92
New York Presby.....	3,474.92
Iowa Presby.	900.00

12,543.01

17,200.20

Balance March 31, 1959 9,412.33

Kentucky Mission

Balance April 1, 1958 3,760.75

RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	1,250.92
Synodical W. M. Society	3,360.00
Special Collections	55.00

4,665.92

8,426.67

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	3,810.00
Social Security	75.60
Use of Missionaries	58.00
Building Material	187.86
Insurance - Building	92.50

4,223.96

Balance March 31, 1959 4,202.71

Indian Mission

Balance April 1, 1958 1,426.52

RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	3,615.00
John L. Wright, Estate	335.90
William Scott, Estate	414.10
Dividend from Endowment Fund	248.31
Interest - Funds Functioning as Endowment	50.65

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

75

4,663.96

6,090.48

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	3,500.00
Travel Expense and Pulpit Supply	91.30
Furniture	355.00
Lawn Mowers	100.00
Insurance	145.79

4,192.09

Balance March 31, 1959..... 1,898.39

Southern Mission

Balance April 1, 1958..... 3,792.29

RECEIPTS

Synodical W. M. Society	2,000.00
Designated Collections	259.11
Burwell Hospital	118.22
Burwell Hospital Building Fund.....	363.70
Dividend from Carlisle Fund.....	576.00
Dividend from Endowment Fund	943.51
Dividend from Gregg Fund.....	740.23
Interest - Funds Functioning as Endowments.....	311.79

5,312.56

9,104.85

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	3,804.96
Painting - Church and Parsonage.....	500.00
Insurance - Church and Parsonage	418.08
Daily Vacation Bible School.....	100.00
Burwell Hospital.....	223.93
Social Security	48.02

5,094.99

Balance March 31, 1959..... 4,009.86

Covenanter Young Peoples' Secretary

Balance April 1, 1958..... 1,123.69

RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget.....	4,796.50
Kenneth G. Smith, Preaching	420.63
Sale of Pins.....	24.40

5,241.53

6,365.22

DISBURSEMENTS

Salary.....	3,999.96
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Expense	800.00	
Pension Plan	114.00	
		<u>4,913.96</u>
Balance March 31, 1959		1,451.26
Ministerial Relief		
Balance April 1, 1958		10,094.10
RECEIPTS		
Share of Synod's Budget	9,050.00	
Dividend from Endowment Funds	3,107.13	
		<u>12,157.13</u>
		22,251.23
DISBURSEMENTS		
Pension Payments	11,435.00	
Insurance Premiums	398.65	
		<u>11,833.65</u>
Balance March 31, 1959		10,417.58
Pension Plan		
Balance April 1, 1958		12,222.29
RECEIPTS		
Assessments	9,251.14	
Presby. Ministers Fund (Policy surrendered) .	941.86	
John L. Wright, Estate	413.00	
Mary Allen, Estate	100.00	
Dividend from Endowment	1,200.00	
		<u>11,906.00</u>
		24,128.29
DISBURSEMENTS		
Presby. Ministers Fund (Premiums) ..	6,311.10	
To Endowment Funds	4,400.00	
Theodore Harsh	323.65	
Expense	20.00	
		<u>11,054.75</u>
Balance March 31, 1959		13,073.54
Widows and Orphans		
Balance April 1, 1958		2,844.85
RECEIPTS		
Share of Synod's Budget	4,525.00	
Dividend from Endowment Fund	798.00	
Dividend from McKee Fund	150.00	

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Dividend from Gregg Fund 740.23

6,213.23

9,058.08

DISBURSEMENTS

Pension Payments 6,369.96

Balance March 31, 1959 2,688.12

Board of Church Erection

Balance April 1, 1959 29,599.50

RECEIPTS

Payments on Account of Loans:

Phoenix Congregation 180.00

Beaver Falls Congregation . 500.00

Topeka Congregation 546.00

Portland Congregation 2,400.00

Wilkinsburg Congregation ... 650.00

Syracuse Congregation 500.00

Lake Reno Congregation .. 93.30

New Castle Congregation .. 500.00

Eastvale Congregation 900.00

Central-Pittsburgh Cong. .. 300.00

Hebron Congregation 430.00

United Philadelphia Cong. . 500.00

Montclair Congregation 230.00

Quinter Congregation 300.00

Parnassus Manchester Missn. 60.00

S. Bruce Willson 263.79

8,353.09

John L. Wright, Estate 1,067.19

Mary Allen, Estate 900.00

Dividend from Endowments 204.00

Dividend from Gregg Fund 740.23

Interest from Loans 92.91

11,357.42

40,956.92

DISBURSEMENTS

Winchester Congregation 4,500.00

Parnassus Manchester Mission 2,500.00

Eastvale Congregation 1,500.00

New Castle Congregation 2,300.00

Hetherton Congregation 6,500.00

Kansas City Congregation 10,000.00

Topeka Congregation 5,000.00

32,300.00

Balance March 31, 1959 8,656.92

Theological Seminary Current Account

Balance April 1, 1958 4,705.95

RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	10,860.00
From Students Aid Fund	1,000.00
Mrs. James M. Moore	1,000.00
William Boyd Duff	1,000.00
Telephone	91.66
Bertha Torrens, Estate	483.35
John L. Wright, Estate	641.65
Tuition and Fees	288.00
Special Collections	20.00
Dividend from Endowment	5,230.68
Dividend from Gregg Fund	740.23
Refund	70.00

21,425.57

26,131.52

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	16,943.50
Building and Ground Maintenance	163.00
Cleaning and Supplies	360.53
Light	372.77
Gas	640.88
Water	113.22
Watchman	60.00
Pension Plan	318.00
Insurance	78.66
Speakers	60.00
Phone	277.45
Petty Cash	175.00
Printing	185.14
Dining Room	67.75
Repairs	403.44
Social Security	47.54
Heater	140.03
Travel Expense	70.44
Miscellaneous	146.10
To Endowment Fund	75.00
Library Account	450.00
Furniture	217.82

21,366.27

Balance March 31, 1959 4,765.25

Seminary Charter Fund

Balance April 1, 1958 441.84

NO RECEIPTS

DISBURSEMENTS

Legal Expense	69.75
Balance March 31, 1959	372.09

Seminary Building Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	555.00
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RECEIPTS

Collections - Gifts	315.00
John L. Wright, Estate	1,500.00
	<u>1,815.00</u>
	2,370.00

DISBURSEMENTS

F. W. Swem, Architect	180.00
W. H. Thomas, Appraisal	50.00
	<u>230.00</u>
Balance March 31, 1959	2,140.00

Seminary Library Account

Balance April 1, 1958	206.87
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RECEIPTS

From Current Account - Order of Board	450.00
Library Fees	140.00
Gifts	85.00
	<u>675.00</u>
	881.87

DISBURSEMENTS

Books and Magazines	601.30
Binding Minutes	120.50
Furniture	100.00
Cabinets	61.35
Films	36.35
Psalm Recordings	7.50
	<u>927.00</u>
Balance OVERDRAWN March 31, 1959	45.13

Seminary Furnishing Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	450.93
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RECEIPTS

Women's Missionary Societies.....	66.00
Collections	220.00
	<u>286.00</u>
	706.93

DISBURSEMENTS

Furniture	98.26
Cabinets	321.21
Dining Room Supplies	9.00
Freight	10.88
Repairs to Machine	8.50
Tape Recorder	159.00

606.85

Balance March 31, 1959 100.08

Student Aid Fund

Balance April 1, 1958 1,189.09

RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	1,810.00
Jack Oliver	20.00
Refund - Students Aid	50.00
Dividend from Endowment Fund	1,048.61

2,928.61

4,117.70

DISBURSEMENTS

Seminary Current Account	1,000.00
To Students	2,450.00

3,450.00

Balance March 31, 1959 667.70

Endowment Fund

Balance April 1, 1958 86,632.92

RECEIPTS

Gifts	220.00
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Balance March 31, 1959 86,852.92

**Summary of Theological Seminary
and
Student Aid Funds**

Balance in all Funds April 1, 1958 7,519.68

RECEIPTS

Seminary Current Account	21,425.57
Charter Fund	0
Building Fund	1,815.00
Library Fund	675.00
Furnishing Fund	286.00
Students Aid Fund	2,928.61

27,130.18

34,649.86

DISBURSEMENTS

Current Account	21,366.27	
Charter Fund	69.75	
Building Fund	230.00	
Library Fund	927.00	
Furnishing Fund	606.85	
Students Aid	3,450.00	
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		26,649.87
Balance in all Funds March 31, 1959		7,999.99

Permanent Endowment Fund

Theological Seminary	86,852.92
Students Aid	17,476.88
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	104,329.80

Temperance Account

Balance April 1, 1958	19.68
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RECEIPTS

From Miscellaneous Fund	200.00
Collections	47.32
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	247.32
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	267.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Delegates	60.47
Board of Temperance - Methodist Church	12.45
Temperance Education Foundation ..	10.00
American Business Research	10.00
Dues - National Temperance and Prohibition Council	10.00
Printing	2.24
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	105.16
Balance March 31, 1959	161.84

Undesignated Budget Account

Balance April 1, 1958	529.34
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RECEIPTS

Collections	91,253.71
Bequest	2,165.11
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	93,418.82
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	93,948.16

DISBURSEMENTS

To Sundry Account	93,183.13
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	765.03

Covenanter Witness**RECEIPTS**

Share of Budget	9,000.00
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DISBURSEMENTS

To Topeka Office	9,000.00
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Board of Christian Education

Balance April 1, 1958	6 18.48
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RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	538.00
F. H. Lathom	5.00

543.00

1,16 1.48

DISBURSEMENTS

Daily Vacation Bible Schools	140.00
Teaching - Leadership Training School	60.00
Nat. Ref. Assn. (Books - R. H. Martin)	20.00
Postage & Supplies	27.00
Prizes	50.00
Films	6.50
Printing	18.64

322.14

Balance March 31, 1959	839.34
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Witness Committee

Balance April 1, 1958	6,430.27
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RECEIPTS

Dr. Susan Wiggins, Estate	1,922.07
Synod's Budget	9,955.00
Collections - For Mimeograph	175.50
Dividend from Endowment Fund	173.00
From Radio Fund	2,260.88

14,486.45

20,916.72

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	8,514.96
K. O. M. A., Inc.	330.00
Programs	2,881.50
Secretarial Expense	1,556.65
Penna. Unemployment Fund	69.68
Social Security	85.34
Rent	300.00
Phone	126.18
Printing	590.25

Mimeograph and Supplies	485.75	
Pension Plan	114.00	
Community House	15.00	
Speakers	75.00	
Recording Equipment	1,552.43	
		<u>16,696.74</u>
Balance March 31, 1959		4,219.98
C. A. M Radio Fund		
Balance April 1, 1958		797.00
RECEIPTS		
Collections		<u>1,715.19</u>
		2,512.19
DISBURSEMENTS		
To Witness Committee		2,512.19
Literature Fund		
Balance April 1, 1958		726.50
Balance March 31, 1959		726.50
Minutes of Synod		
Minutes of Synod Sold - 675 copies		675.00
DISBURSEMENTS		
Printing - 750 copies	1,198.63	
Editing - Minutes	150.00	
Postage and Express	72.27	
		<u>1,420.90</u>
Balance OVERDRAWN March 31, 1959		745.90
Christian Literature Fund		
Balance April 1, 1958		482.88
RECEIPTS		
Sale of Bible Truths		<u>33.00</u>
		515.88
DISBURSEMENTS		
Printing Bible Truths	325.75	
Freight	8.50	
		<u>334.25</u>
Balance March 31, 1959		181.63
Miscellaneous Account		
Balance OVERDRAWN April 1, 1958		1,176.75

RECEIPTS

Share of Synod's Budget	2,715.00
Traveling Fund	5,972.75
Sale of Books	1,948.35
Sale of Bible Studies	40.00
Sale of Bible Readers	36.95
Sale of Minutes of Synod	675.00
John L. Wright, Estate	1,125.00
Collections, 1958 Synod	195.11

12,708.16

11,531.41

DISBURSEMENTS

Traveling Fund - 1958 Synod	7,786.41
Editing and Printing of Minutes.....	1,348.63
Postage and Supplies.....	74.40
Long Range Program Committee	17.29
Evangelistic Committee.....	9.69
Psalm Selection Committee	71.50
Stewardship Committee.....	40.00
Temperance Committee	200.00
Delegates	227.26
Expense - 1958 Synod	182.62
Stationery	22.50
Printing Bible Readers	200.00
Miscellaneous	9.80

10,190.10

Balance March 31, 1959 1,341.31

Foreign Mission Board

Current Account

Balance April 1, 1958 12,382.07

RECEIPTS

Bequests:

Dr. Susan Wiggins	1,922.07
Mary J. Steele	495.09
D. T. Torrens	100.00
Dr. Mary Nesbitt.....	1,000.00
Miss Cecil Bowes	514.22
Joseph M. Steele	1,932.03
Anna M. Johnston	4,837.16

10,800.57

Share of Church Budget:

Proportionate Share

(Undesignated).....	11,997.21
Designated Collections	4,177.79
Synodical W. M. Society	6,450.00

22,625.00

Over and Above the Budget:

Associate Presbyterian Church.....	276.84	
Nathan Ochs.....	200.00	
		<u>476.84</u>

Income from Investments:

Endowment Dividend.....	9,724.26	
Gregg Fund Dividend.....	4,071.22	
Interest-Invested Funds.....	225.00	
		<u>14,020.48</u>

Miscellaneous Income Account:

Hot Springs Cong. (Miss McElroy).....	1,000.00	
Synodical W.M.S.(Rent).....	1,070.00	
Refund (Eleanor Faris).....	25.00	
Grace Boyle - Mrs. Rachel Etzin, rent.....	1,529.88	
Syrian Field Expense, (Check not used).....	1,650.00	
Chao Rent.....	150.00	
		<u>5,424.88</u>
Pension Premiums	255.85	

53,603.62

DISBURSEMENTS

65,985.69

Travel Expense:

Cyprus Field.....	2,026.84	
Japan Field	390.00	
Syrian Field.....	22.40	
Transportation Director.....	3,000.00	
		<u>5,439.24</u>

Cyprus Mission:

Salary.....	9,073.45	
Field Expense.....	4,341.00	
		<u>13,414.45</u>

Syrian Mission:

Salary.....	7,732.50	
Field Expense.....	9,587.73	
		<u>17,320.23</u>

Japan Mission:

Salary	11,087.05	
Field Expense	3,450.00	
		<u>14,537.05</u>

Home Base Expense:

Travel - Board Members	806.60
Office & Secretary Expense.	674.40
Social Security	366.38
Medical Expense.....	135.91
Deputation - Miss McElroy...	64.78
Printing Year Book.....	43.85
Pulpit Supplies.....	200.00
Minutes of Synod	8.00
	<u>2,299.92</u>

Miscellaneous Expense:

Housing	870.00
Tuition	1,061.78
Interest - Wilmoth Fund	174.78
South America Mission Field	1,903.32
Hospital Allowance	26.62
Field Deputation	19.85
Rachel Etzin's rent in full .	<u>2,324.88</u>
	6,381.23
Pension Premiums:	<u>1,235.99</u>

60,628.11

Balance March 31, 1959	5,357.58
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Restricted Funds**China Relief Fund**

Balance April 1, 1958	542.13
Balance March 31, 1959	542.13

China Orphan Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	3,640.39
Balance March 31, 1959	3,640.39

Farida Ibrahim Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	9,672.29
Balance March 31, 1959	9,672.29

Milne Wilmoth Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	8,734.20
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RECEIPTS

Dr. & Mrs. C. L. Wilmoth	700.00
Interest to January 1, 1959	<u>174.78</u>

874.78

Balance March 31, 1959	9,608.98
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Nicosia Building Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	115.41
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RECEIPTS

Collections	<u>249.96</u>
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365.37

DISBURSEMENTS

Remitted to Field	20.00
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Balance March 31, 1959	345.37
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Larnaca Building Fund

Balance April 1, 1958	120.67
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RECEIPTS

Collections	174.97
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295.64

DISBURSEMENTS

Remitted to Field	20.00
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275.64

Gihon Estate

Balance April 1, 1958	7,500.00
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Balance March 31, 1959	7,500.00
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Accommodation Account

Balance April 1, 1958	691.80
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RECEIPTS

Japan Book Room	705.34
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Nicosia Book Room	10.00
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Cyprus Book Room	13.00
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Japan Psalter Fund	67.50
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Japan Bible Story Books	12.50
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Japan Reformation Translation	
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Fellowship Fund.....	17.11
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Syrian Tract Fund.....	40.00
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Nicosia Daily Vacation Bible School ..	20.00
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Larnaca Daily Vacation Bible School ..	20.00
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Cyprus Daily Vacation Bible School, ..	43.02
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Use of Missionaries.....	280.50
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Adeebe Awad Typewriter Fund.....	115.00
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Cyprus Scholarship	57.25
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Larnaca Psalter Fund	5.00
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Larnaca Translation Fund.....	7.00
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Greek Mission	18.00
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Chao Family	48.20
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Kobe Church	53.17
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Supplement - Thomas Edgar	100.00
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Cyprus Boys School.....	5.00
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Cyprus Girls School.....	10.00
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Syrian School Library	10.00
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Larnaca Mission - Special Project	5.00
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Nicosia Mission - Special Project	5.00
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Japan Mission - Special Project	10.00
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1,677.59

2,369.39

Japan Mission - Special Project	10.00	
		<u>1,677.59</u>
		2,369.39

DISBURSEMENTS

Japan Book Room	801.83	
Gifts to Missionaries	290.50	
Syrian Tract Fund	40.00	
Nicosia Daily Vacation Bible School	20.00	
Larnaca Daily Vacation Bible School	63.02	
Cyprus Book Room	73.00	
Thomas Edgar	100.00	
Cyprus Scholarship	50.00	
Larnaca Translation Fund	2.00	
Larnaca Psalter Fund	30.00	
Japan Psalter Fund	67.50	
Japan Bible Story Books	12.50	
Japan Translation Fund	17.11	
Greek Mission	18.00	
Chao Family	103.31	
Limaßsol Church	15.00	
Kobe Church	42.17	
Japan Mission Special Project	10.00	
Larnaca Mission Special Project	5.00	
Nicosia Mission Special Project	5.00	
Syrian Girls School	5.00	
Cyprus Girls School	5.00	
Cyprus Boys School	5.00	
		<u>1,790.94</u>
Balance March 31, 1959		578.45

RECAP OF BALANCE IN ALL FUNDS

Current Account	5,357.58	
China Relief Fund	542.13	
China Orphan Fund	3,640.39	
Farida Ibrahim Fund	9,672.29	
Milne Wilmoth Fund	9,608.98	
Nicosia Building Fund	345.37	
Larnaca Building Fund	275.64	
Gihon Estate	7,500.00	
Accommodation Account	578.45	
		<u>\$37,520.83</u>

ASSETS IN SUPPORT OF ABOVE BALANCE

Cash in Bank	\$30,020.83	
Loan Receivable (Presby. Ministers Fund)	7,500.00	
		<u>\$37,520.83</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Chester R. Fox, Treasurer

To the President and Members,
Trustees of the Synod of the
Reformed Presbyterian Church
of North America.

Gentlemen:

This is to certify that the cash receipts and disbursements were checked from the cash book to the general ledger and reconciled with the various bank accounts, and the balance to the control accounts in the general ledger. Both cash and subsidiary accounts were found to be correct.

C. M. Black, Auditor

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

April 1, 1958 to March 31, 1959

CASH TRANSACTIONS - GENERAL FUND

Balance, April 1, 1958 \$ 0.00

RECEIPTS

Boarding Income	7,822.97
Donations	461.28
Transfers from Reserve Fund	45,000.00
Miscellaneous Income	209.10
Payroll Taxes deducted from payroll .	2,384.83

55,878.18

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries	\$19,284.81
Payroll taxes	2,312.20
Food Supplies	10,667.10
Water	76.66
Light and Heat	3,971.66
Maintenance	4,359.75
Superintendent's expense account	3,000.00
Transportation	137.99
Office Expense	131.98
Insurance	1,399.33
Drugs	895.65
Burial Expense	1,953.18
Furnishings	2,752.58
Telephone	216.24
General Expense	2,646.43
Auditing and printing	51.49
Miscellaneous expenses	212.22
Garden and grounds	82.21

54,151.48

Balance, March 31, 1959 \$ 1,726.70

CASH TRANSACTIONS - RESERVE FUND

Balance, April 1, 1958 \$ 4,749.56

RECEIPTS

Association dues	\$ 1,403.00
Donations	1,172.10
Bequests	2,000.00
Pensions and Social Security	9,856.53
Annuities	973.99
Income - Synod's budget	6,748.00
Miscellaneous Income	377.28
Income from Investments	
Interest on bonds	\$ 445.00
Dividends	8,577.63
Interest on mortgages	175.00
Rentals	1,132.25
Interest on savings	
accounts	1,437.36
Phillips Gas & Oil lease	65.00
	<u>11,832.24</u>
Proceeds - Sale of Investment	
Securities	10,501.38
Members' Reserve Fund	127,849.68
Members' Special Allowance Fund - net	<u>607.04</u>

173,357.24

\$178,106.80

DISBURSEMENTS

Annuity Interest	\$ 30.00
Interest to members	400.12
Miscellaneous expense	448.85
Interest on Mellon Bank Loan	2,423.68
Transfers to General Fund	45,000.00
Transfers to Savings Accounts	31,373.76
Purchase of Investment Securities	72,427.52
Loaned to Building Fund	7,000.00
Transferred to Building Fund	<u>12,437.27</u>

171,541.20

Balance, March 31, 1959 \$ 6,565.60

CASH TRANSACTIONS - BUILDING FUND

Balance, April 1, 1958 \$ 12,718.15

RECEIPTS

Contributions	\$16,486.72
Dividends	608.02
Bequests	2,646.60
Transfers from Reserve Fund	12,437.27
Borrowed from Reserve Fund	7,000.00
Given from Members' Reserve Fund ..	837.00
Proceeds from sale of Investment	
Securities ..	<u>1,602.64</u>

\$ 54,336.40

DISBURSEMENTS

Architect's fees	\$ 750.00
Payments on building	20,713.31
Payments on elevator	3,180.00
Payments on library and shelving	807.14
Payments on landscaping	3,348.40
Furnishings	3,745.61
Renovating old building	681.91
Purchase of Investment securities	693.84
Miscellaneous Expenses	16.19
Payments of Mellon Bank Loan	20,400.00

54,336.40

Balance, March 31, 1959 \$ -0-

CASH TRANSACTIONS - BUILDING CAMPAIGN FUND

Balance, April 1, 1958 \$ 245.43

RECEIPTS

Miscellaneous Income	3.00
	248.43

DISBURSEMENTS

Miscellaneous Expenses	228.65
Balance, March 31, 1959	\$ 19.78

CASH TRANSACTIONS - ENDOWMENT FUND

Balance, April 1, 1958 \$ -0-

RECEIPTS

Donations	1,100.00
	1,100.00

DISBURSEMENTS

None	-0-
Balance, March 31, 1959	\$ 1,100.00

BALANCE SHEET AS AT MARCH 31, 1959

ASSETS

CASH

Checking Accounts:

Mellon National Bank & Trust	\$ 8,351.26
Peoples First National Bank & Trust	1,060.82

Savings Accounts:

First Federal Savings	
Loan - Millvale	\$13,324.54
Milvale Savings & Loan	
Association	7,904.56
Guardian Savings &	
Loan, Chicago, Ill.	10,000.00

Home Federal Savings & Loan, San Diego, Calif.	9,158.96	
Standard Federal Savings & Loan, Los Angeles, Calif.	9,595.84	
Santa Ana Savings and Loan*	1,939.32	
Valley Savings & Loan Ass'n., Pittsburgh, Pa.	7,500.00	
First Federal Savings & Loan Ass'n., Orlando, Florida	9,563.36	
	<u>68,986.58</u>	
Less: Cash restricted for Margaret McCune allowance fund	1,939.32	
		<u>67,047.26</u>
		76,459.34

INVESTMENTS AT ACQUISITION OR CARRYING VALUE

Stocks - (market value March 31, 1959, \$217,168.40)	162,030.97	
Bonds - (market value March 31, 1959, \$15,925.00	16,700.00	
		<u>178,730.97</u>

ENDOWMENTS

Invested with Synod's Board of Trustees	19,680.00
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HOME PROPERTY

Book value April 1, 1958	275,347.50	
Additions 1958-59	28,798.85	
	<u>304,146.35</u>	
Equipment	3,697.43	
Home furnishings	4,983.51	
		<u>311,927.29</u>

OTHER REAL ESTATE, ETC.

Cemetery lots	1,095.00	
355 Ashland Avenue	6,293.37	
Ocean City, N. J. property (mortgage)	3,500.00	
2326 Maple Avenue, Pittsburgh 14, Pa.	3,750.00	
		<u>14,638.37</u>
		5601,435.97

LIABILITIES AND PRINCIPAL

Annuity bond - Miss Elizabeth Beattie	1,000.00
Notes payable - Mellon National Bank & Trust Co.	39,600.00

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Members Reserve Funds	152,863.46
Principal All Funds	407,972.51
	<u>601,435.97</u>

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Coleman George, Treasurer

To the Board of Directors
Reformed Presbyterian Woman's Association
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Attached hereto are the financial statements and schedules covering the annual report of the Treasurer's accounts of your organization.

The checking and savings accounts were reconciled and found to be in order. All investments, except stock certificates out for transfer which we did not confirm, and other records in the North Side Deposit Bank were examined and found to be in order. We verbally confirmed with the Discount Department of Mellon National Bank and Trust Company the securities used as collateral on the funds borrowed for the new building.

Philip M. Weber (signed)
Certified Public Accountant,
Auditor

REPORT OF TREASURER OF WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA - 1958 - 1959

Balance, April 30th, 1958 \$ 19,214.76

RECEIPTS

Thank Offerings and self denial gifts	\$17,109.73
Designated Funds	7,116.70
Synodical Project	1,606.64
From Life Memorial Fund	<u>1,045.00</u>

26,878.07

\$ 46,092.83

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries :

Miss McElroy	1,700.00
Miss Huston	1,700.00
Miss Lynn.....	1,550.00
Miss Faris	1,550.00
Miss Adams	1,680.00
Miss Patton	1,680.00
Mrs. Evans.	1,200.00
Miss Luttrell	<u>800.00</u>
	<u>11,860.00</u>

Rent:

Mr. Hutcheson 300.00

Mr. Sanderson	300.00	
Mr. Copeland	300.00	
Miss Lynn	120.00	
		<u>1,020.00</u>
Designated Funds		7,116.70
Project, Home Mission Board.....	1,396.64	
Mr. Chao	200.00	
Mrs. Li's papers	10.00	
		<u>1,606.64</u>
Penn Federal Saving & Loan Assn.		5,000.00
Liberty Federal Saving & Loan Assn.	3,000.00	
		<u>3,000.00</u>
		29,803.24
Balance, April 30, 1959, On Deposit Girard		
Trust Corn Exchange Bank		<u>16,489.49</u>
		46,092.83
Balance, April 30, 1959, On Deposit Phila.		
Saving Fund Society	5,610.29	
Interest	168.30	
		<u>5,778.59</u>
Balance, April 30, 1959, On Deposit Quaker		
City Federal Savings & Loan Assn....	9,357.81	
Interest	330.37	
		<u>9,688.18</u>
CONTINGENT FUND		
Balance, April 30, 1958		1,598.69
RECEIPTS		
Dues	538.10	
Sale of "Taught of the Lord"	95.60	
Sale and discount on books sold at		
Koronis	15.05	
Balance sale of Uniform Programs, 1958	2.43	
		<u>651.18</u>
		\$2,249.87
DISBURSEMENTS		
Officers' Travel & Officers' Expense .	170.27	
Printing and Mimeographing	257.20	
Synodical Expense Koronis	40.40	
Superintendents' Office Expenses.....	37.89	
Treasurer's Bond	35.00	
Missionaries' Gifts	18.70	
Presbyterial Dues refunded	5.00	
		<u>564.46</u>
Balance, April 30, 1959		1,685.41
		<u>\$2,249.87</u>
LIFE AND MEMORIAL FUND		
Balance, April 30, 1958		6,286.24
Twelve (12) Memberships	300.00	
Interest	183.70	
		<u>483.70</u>
		\$6,769.94

DISBURSEMENTS

Rent:

Mr. Hutcheson	300.00	
Mr. Copeland	300.00	
Mr. Sanderson	300.00	
Miss Lynn	120.00	

Synodical Project in Memory of

Mrs. Joseph Dickey	25.00	1,045.00
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Balance, April 30, 1959 on Deposit

Western Saving Fund Society		5,724.94
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6,769.94

Respectfully submitted,
Katherine M. Carson, Treasurer

I have audited the above accounts and have found same correct.

Sarah C. Archer, Auditor

JEWISH MISSION BOARD

FINANCIAL REPORT

May 1, 1958 to April 30, 1959

Balance May 1, 1958.....	\$ 2,188.15
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RECEIPTS

Interest	23.88	
Gift	11.85	35.73
		2,223.88

DISBURSEMENTS

Retirement Allowance, Miss Annie S.

Forsyth.....	600.00	600.00
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Balance, April 30, 1959	\$ 1,623.88
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John Peoples, Assistant Treasurer

The Seminary Board report was again taken up. Item 11 was added and adopted. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

The 148th year of the Seminary opened September 10, 1958 with a service in the Allegheny Church. A lecture was delivered by the President, Dr. S. Bruce Willson, on the subject: "A Covenant Seminary".

The following persons were enrolled as first-year students in the Seminary this year:

Floyd N. Hazen, sponsored by the Providence Baptist Church Ellwood City, Pa.; D. Raymond McCracken of the United Philadelphia congregation and under the care of Philadelphia Presby-

tery; Edward A. Robson of Central-Pittsburgh congregation and under the care of Pittsburgh Presbytery; John D. Russell of Walton congregation and under the care of New York Presbytery; John H. White of Newburgh congregation and under the care of New York Presbytery.

Those enrolled in the Middler Class were:

Robert More, Jr. of Kansas City, Kansas; Robert Morrow of New Kensington, Pa.; James Pennington of Beaver Falls, Pa.; and Wayne Spear of Walton, New York.

Those enrolled as special students were:

Harold Edmonds, Jr., pastor of an Evangelical United Brethren Church in Pittsburgh; Miss Jean Finlay of United Philadelphia congregation, under the care of Philadelphia Presbytery as a student in the field of Religious Education in conjunction with Pittsburgh-Xenia Seminary in which she is taking most of her work; Jerry Hayenga of the Fresno congregation, and under the care of Pacific Coast Presbytery, who completed the year of work required by the Board of Home Missions to qualify him for taking up work at our Indian Mission.

Four students were graduated from the Seminary this spring: Gilbert Bender of the Assemblies of God Church; Matthew Daw, pastor of the Triumph Baptist Church, Sewickley, Pa.; Kenneth McBurney of our own Quinter, Kansas congregation; and Reid W. Stewart, an elder in the Parnassus R. P. Church. The baccalaureate sermon was preached by Dr. R. J. G. McKnight at the service held in the Wilkinsburg Church on May 10. The commencement exercises were held in the same place on the evening of May 12.

The first-year students carried out "field-work" assignments under the direction of the pastors of the congregations of Central-Pittsburgh, First Beaver Falls, Mars and Eastvale. Middler students continued a program of practical experience in the following areas of work: Wilkinsburg, Manchester Chapel, West Mayfield Chapel, and under the direction of the National Young People's Secretary.

At the spring meeting of the Board Paul D. McCracken was elected president, Elder Steele was re-elected vice-president, and Willard McMillan was elected secretary.

It was decided that oral examinations before the Board should be discontinued beginning with the spring meeting this year. However, criticism of the student sermons presented in connection with the Board Day exercises were presented by members of the Board and Faculty.

The following students were awarded prizes at the commencement exercises for outstanding work:

Robert More in advanced Greek
James Pennington in advanced Hebrew
Wayne Spear in advanced Homiletics

Reid Stewart in Systematic Theology.

Progress has been made at the Seminary this year in several areas. On January 7, 1959, the State Council of Education approved the application of the Seminary for a new charter. The application for the authority to grant the degree of Bachelor of Divinity was disapproved at the same time. In a letter from the Deputy Superintendent of Education to the Seminary President it was stated that the institution must upgrade "its standards and facilities comparable to other degree-granting institutions". Dr. Willson is seeking further clarification and we are continuing to negotiate for degree-granting authority.

Work on the revision of the Constitution was carried out this year but is not yet completed.

A very significant item before the Board at its spring meeting concerned the improvement of the physical plant. A Building Survey Committee was appointed a year ago to investigate the possibility of providing adequate facilities for the Seminary either through the renovation of the present building, or through acquisition of another building. The committee, of which Kermit S. Edgar was the chairman, met during the year with the Presidents of the Board and Seminary as consultative members.

The Committee considered three possibilities: (1) the purchase of a building adequate to our needs; (2) the erection of a new building on the present property or elsewhere; and (3) the renovation and remodeling of the present building.

An appraisal of the present property was made. The real estate appraiser, William Thomas of the Fidelity Trust Company, gave the opinion that if the present property and plant were to be sold a buyer would probably be interested only in the land.

In considering the appraisal the Committee was influenced by the following factors: (1) the site is excellent; (2) the present building is basically sound; (3) the property is worth more to us as a Seminary building and grounds than might be realized from its sale; (4) there is sufficient land for enlargement of the building when necessary; (5) a renovated building would meet our needs adequately; (6) the cost of renovation and remodeling, including paving and landscaping of grounds is at least \$150,000.00 less than the conservative estimate of a new building; (7) should the money necessary to a new building be raised, it would serve the Seminary to greater advantage in the endowment fund. The Committee recommended to the Board the renovation and remodeling of the present building at a cost not to exceed \$120,000.00. Their proposal included plans drawn up by an architect.

After due consideration, the Board adopted the proposal of the Building Survey Committee. In considering the financial aspect of the plan it was felt that other future needs of the Seminary should be included in the program. It was decided, therefore, on the recommendation of the Committee, to seek a significant increase in the Seminary endowment fund.

We would call the attention of Synod to the fact that plans are being made for some observance next year of the 150th anniversary of the founding of the Seminary, May 1810.

The Board appointed S. Bruce Willson to speak for the Seminary on the floor of Synod, and Willard McMillan to represent it before the Coordinating Committee.

The Board requested \$13,500.00 for the Seminary, and \$2,500.00 for the Student Aid Fund from Synod's budget in its presentation before the Coordinating Committee.

Paper No. 1 from the San Diego session concerning a correspondence Course for laymen referred to us by Synod, has been referred, in turn, to our Committee on Curriculum of the Board for recommendation.

We recommend:

1. that Synod elect the successors of Roy Blackwood, Jr., T. R. Hutcheson, J. E. Steele, and D. R. Wilcox, whose terms on the Board expire at this meeting of Synod;

2. that Synod approve the appointment of Kenneth G. Smith as part-time instructor in Evangelism for the academic year 1959-60, and that his salary be continued at the rate of \$150.00 per semester for a one hour course;

3. that Synod authorize the Board to fill any vacancy in part-time instruction;

4. that Synod authorize the appointment of either C. E. Caskey or E. Clarke Copeland, if available, as part-time instructor in the course in missionary methods, if needed this year;

5. that the salaries of the three full-time professors be increased \$300.00 each, to \$3,900.00 for the president, Dr. S. B. Willson, and \$3,800.00 each for Dr. J. B. Willson and Dr. R. C. Fullerton, plus \$600.00 to each for housing allowance;

6. that Synod authorize the renovation and remodeling of our present Seminary building, at a cost not to exceed \$120,000.00;

7. that Synod approve a financial campaign of \$200,000.00 the amount raised over the cost of the project to be placed in the endowment fund of the Seminary;

8. that the renovation and remodeling work be done as a unit project, and that it be started at such a time as \$50,000.00 is available;

9. that the Synod authorize Synod's Board of Trustees to make available as a loan such amount as is necessary to complete the work, once it is begun, this loan not to exceed \$70,000.00, and to be repaid as the money is received;

10. that S. B. Willson represent the Seminary on the floor of Synod.

11. that a request from Pittsburgh Presbytery that a study be made of the possibilities for providing financial help for students assigned to aid-receiving congregations in the "field-work"

program of the Seminary be referred in form to a special committee to be named by the Committee on Nominations to report to the next meeting of Synod.

Synod took recess in prayer by George McFarland.

Tuesday - 1:15 P. M.

Synod reconvened in prayer by Claude C. Brown.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

Item No. 7 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee to Review Chapter VIII of the Testimony was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CHAPTER VIII OF THE TESTIMONY

We wish to express our thanks to those who have sent in suggestions for this revision.

We submit the following as a basis for study:

Section 1. The Holy Spirit, the third person in the Trinity, proceeds from the Father and the Son, and is to be believed in, loved, obeyed and worshipped by all men in all ages: because He is truly God, of the same substance, equal in power and glory with the Father and the Son. II Cor. 13:14, John 14:26, Matt. 28:19, Luke 1:35, Heb. 10:29, Rev. 22:17, Eph. 2:18-22, John 16:7, Gal. 4:6, Acts 5:3,4, Acts 16:6,7, Mark 3:29, Rom. 8:26,27, I John 2:20-27.

Section 2. The Holy Spirit is the Giver of life, everywhere present and manifests a kind of favor or grace of God toward His creatures in general, by restraining the natural disposition toward evil, by urging toward righteousness in the life of the individual and society, and by supplying the natural powers of reason and conscience. This, His common work upon all mankind, does not regenerate, but those who reject Him are not only without excuse, but are guilty of rejecting the Holy Spirit.

The unpardoned sin against the Holy Spirit consists in the rejecting of His testimony to the divine commission of Jesus as the Christ. This rejection may be expressed in open opposition to and denial of Christ either within or outside the visible Church. It is a sin unto death, not only because it is blasphemy against the Holy Spirit, but because by its very nature it is the willful and persistent rejection of the only hope of pardon through our Saviour. On the other hand, the fear of having committed this sin, together with an earnest desire for fellowship with God in Christ, and the desire for the triumph of righteousness in this world give evidence that this sin has not been committed. Gen. 1:2, Job 33:4 Ps. 104:30, Job 34:14,15, Gen. 6:3, Isaiah 32:15-17, John 3-17, I Thess. 5:19, Acts 7:51, Heb. 10:26-29, Matt. 12:31,32, Mark 3:28-30, Luke 12:8-10, Heb. 6:4-6, Isaiah 50:10, Isaiah 66:2.

Section 3. The Holy Spirit is the only efficient Agent in the application of redemption. By Him the truth of God was revealed through the prophets and all the writers of Holy Scripture inspired

to record infallibly the mind and will of God, in so far as God chose to reveal this truth for our salvation. The dispensation of the Gospel is His definite work. He prepares the way for it, and accompanies it with His persuasive power. He regenerates the elect by His grace, convicts them of sin, moves them to repentance, and persuades and enables them to embrace Jesus Christ through faith. In regeneration He works secretly, powerfully, supernaturally and irresistibly. His work upon and in the faculties of the soul is carried on by means of the Word. This work is in itself so distinct and necessary, that without it no evidence of the truth of the Gospel, no power of argument, no persuasion of love or of terror, no human eloquence, no combination of the most favourable circumstances, can be effectual in producing conviction, imparting illumination or rendering the soul savingly obedient to the faith.

In uniting all believers to Christ, He dwells in them as their Comforter and Sanctifier; guiding, teaching and performing in them all those gracious offices by which they are sanctified and sealed unto the day of redemption. His guiding and teaching never go beyond or contrary to anything written in His Word. Hence no new revelations of truth can be expected from any inner light, answers to prayer, or through dreams and visions. Through His Word already revealed, He guides believers and builds them up in the knowledge of God and in holiness. John 3:1-8, Acts 2:38, I Cor. 12:3, II Peter 1:21, II Sam. 23:2, John 7:39, John 16:13, Titus 3:5, John 3:8, Ezekiel 36:27, I John 4:2, Gal. 4:6, II Thes. 2:13, Rom. 8:14, 17, 26, 27, I Cor. 2:13-16, Eph. 4:30, II Tim. 3:16, 17, Rom. 15:4, John 16:8-11.

Section 4. The Holy Spirit, abiding in believers, unites them to Christ the Head, and one to another in the Church which is His body. He calls and fits all His servants for their work. He qualifies ministers and all other officers of the Church for their particular tasks, and imparts to them the various gifts and graces that they may serve Him in His Church. He makes effective the Word and ordinances of the Gospel. By Him the Church will be preserved, increased, purified, and at last, made perfectly holy in the presence of God to all eternity. Eph. 2:14-18, Eph. 4:1-6, Eph. 5:13, Acts 2:4, I Cor. 12, Acts 13:2, II Peter 1:19-21, I Thes. 1:5, 6, John 20:22, 23, Matt. 16:18, Matt. 28:19, 20.

We recommend that the study be continued by the committee for another year and that members of the Church be requested to send any suggestions to the committee at their earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,
R. C. Fullerton
S. Bruce Willson
Robert B. Tweed

The report of the Judicial Committee was read and taken up item by item. The recommendations on papers No. 2 and 3 were adopted. The recommendation on paper No. 7 was amended and adopted. A special Committee was ordered appointed by the

Nominating Committee to reconsider paper No. 9 and to report next year. The recommendation on paper No. 10 was adopted. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE JUDICIAL COMMITTEE

Five papers were referred to our committee:

In Paper No. 2 from Knox McKelvy a question was raised concerning the use of the term "Savior of nations" in our sixth term of communion. Since the Committee to Review chapters 29 and 30 of the Testimony has proposed to study this very question during the coming year, we recommend that paper No. 2 be referred to them.

Paper No. 3 from Philadelphia Presbytery asked questions concerning the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the home of a member who has been kept from the regular services of the Church due to an extended physical illness.

We recommend reference to Chapter III, Paragraph 2, of the Directory for Worship which indicates that the Sacrament shall be administered outside the sanctuary only under special circumstances. We discourage this from becoming common practice.

In order to distinguish this from "private communion" of which our standards disapprove, the following are essential elements of the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper in the home of a member who has been kept from the regular services due to an extended physical illness:

1. Each such service must be approved by the Session in advance.
2. In addition to the Sacrament, each such service should include the following parts of worship: prayer, Scripture Reading, and a brief message. Praise is also encouraged.
3. Only a minister accompanied by at least one of his Session shall conduct a service. Other elders and members are encouraged to attend depending on the circumstances.
4. Members of our Church present at this service should partake of the elements also to preserve the corporate nature of the Sacrament.

Paper No. 7 from Illinois Presbytery raised questions concerning the continuing organization of a congregation having no active elders.

We would recommend reference to Chapter III, Paragraph 14, in the Form of Church Government. It seemed to our committee that the relative paragraph cited does not exactly fit the case, but we feel that the spirit of it may permit the appointment of a provisional session by the Presbytery on a temporary basis where there is the possibility of two elders being elected. In case two elders cannot be elected, the congregation may be continued as a Mission Station until such time as two elders can be elected.

It is the judgment of Synod that where there is no prospect of election of elders over a period of time, the congregation become a Mission Station.

Paper No. 9 from the Cambridge Session questions the interpretation of the phrase "removed from the roll of members in good standing" in Chapter II, Paragraph 11 of the Form of Church Government.

In reply to this question, our Committee would remind the Sessions of our Church of their two-fold obligation in the area of church discipline. If a member becomes careless or indifferent in his relationship to the Church, the Session has an obligation within a year to make every effort through personal contacts and/or special correspondence to revive his interest or reclaim him. When or if this fails, then the Session may remove the name from the roll of members in good standing which means he is no longer a member of the Church.

Paper No. 10 from the Hebron Session requested clarification and explanation of the terms "private communion" and "private baptism."

With respect to the term "private communion", we would refer to our answer to paper No. 3 in this report.

With respect to "private baptism," we would point out that this is contrary to the standards of the Church, and that although under extraordinary circumstance the Sacrament of Baptism may be administered by the minister during a service of worship in a private home where at least one elder is present, we discourage this as common practice because of the following dangers:

1. The danger of considering the Sacrament of Baptism as a saving ordinance!
2. The danger of neglecting the privileges and obligations of public observance of the Sacrament as an ordinance of the visible church.

Bruce C. Stewart
Joseph Caskey
A. W. Smith
A. D. Robb

The report of the Elders' Conference was read and taken up item by item. Items one through five were adopted. The report was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF ELDERS' CONFERENCE

The Elders' Conference has held three meetings during this Synod. Several questions concerning the work of the Church have been considered. As a result of these discussions the following recommendations are submitted.

We recommend:

1. That the Pastor and Session of each congregation having an elder representative at this Synod arrange to give the elder

ample time to make a complete report of the actions of this Synod and of the Elders' Conference.

2. That Synod approve the appointment of a committee to produce and publish a book of instructions to be used for the training of members of Sessions and other officers of the Church in their duties and methods of carrying them out.

3. That Synod urge the Sessions to keep in contact with their own out-of-bound members.

4. That, in order to stimulate the attendance of a greater number of elders at Synod, congregations be urged to reimburse the elder delegates for their cost of living expenses at Synod.

5. We commend to the members of Synod the work of the Covenanter Layman's League in their venture of producing literature explaining the principles of the Reformed Faith and we urge that the members of Synod facilitate the distribution and use of this literature.

Dr. R. E. Smith, Chairman

J. G. Betts, Secretary

The report of the Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study was read, adopted, referred to the Nominating Committee and is as follows:

INTERCHURCH CORRESPONDENCE AND STUDY

Your committee would respectfully report that no meetings were held during the year but the work of your committee continues.

A meeting of the Special Committee of the Christian Reformed Church and the Special Committee of our Synod is arranged for next Monday in Wilkinsburg.

Because of the wide distance now separating the members of your committee, we feel that a new committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study should be appointed with the members living closer together. To facilitate this, the two members present at Synod offer their resignation. These members are John McMillan and C. E. Caskey.

The term for which Roy M. Carson was appointed has expired and his successor should be appointed.

We move the adoption of this report and its reference to the nominating committee.

Signed,

C. E. Caskey

John McMillan

Item No. 11 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on Doctrinal Standards of the Christian Reformed Church was read, adopted, the committee continued and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON DOCTRINAL STANDARDS OF THE CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH

Comparatively little progress has been made in the work of

the committee since the last meeting of Synod. Efforts to arrange a meeting with the committee of the Christian Reformed Church have been hampered by the moving of some members of each committee. Plans have now been made for our two committees to hold a joint meeting in Wilkinsburg, Pennsylvania, on June 15 and 16.

J. M. McMillan, chairman
C. E. Caskey
S. B. Willson

The report of the Covenanter Members of the Board of Directors of the National Reform Association was read, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COVENANTER MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION

With gratitude to God for His unfailing mercies we take pleasure in reporting to you briefly on the National Reform Association and its work during the past year.

There are 27 members on our Board of Directors, 8 of whom are Covenanters and one an adherent of the Covenanter Church. Three members of our Board are incapacitated because of old age or ill health, four others are practically inactive so far as the work of the Board is concerned. This leaves us an active Board of 20 members. The average attendance at Board meetings is 12.

Our Board of Directors meets twice annually at stated meeting — the first Mondays of May and December — and is subject to call at any time a meeting may be necessary.

The Executive Secretary presents a written report at each meeting of the Board. The Treasurer reports also at each meeting.

The annual meeting was held in the Community House on the evening of November 13, 1959. The speaker at this meeting was Rev. Frank C. Ramsey, D.D., member of the Board. His address appeared in the January issue of the *Christian Statesman*.

After the merger of the United Presbyterian and Presbyterian U.S.A. churches, it was decided to close the Publication Building where the National Reform Association's headquarters were located for farther back than most of us can remember, so that the building could be put up for sale. Consequently, all tenants in the building were given "quit notices" in October terminating their leases as of December 31, 1958.

The matter of a new location was put up to our Board of Directors and permission was granted to move the office into the home of the executive secretary, which move was made the day after Thanksgiving.

This move has proved advantageous in a number of ways. Not only does it save nearly two hours a day travel time in addition to considerable savings in rental costs, but it has made it possible for the executive secretary to be in the office on several

days when his physical condition would not have permitted him to go down town. Also our printing plant is set up in our basement, and having the office in close proximity with the printing plant has proved a great convenience.

Our printing operations have been of great help to the Association. Not only have we been able to materially reduce our own printing expenses, but by doing some additional printing, mostly within the Church, we have been able to add somewhat to our receipts.

The merger of the U.P. and Presbyterian U.S.A. churches has had an effect upon our work. The merger of the churches brought with it the merging of certain boards and changes of personnel, thus eliminating several sources upon which the Association had been dependent for substantial contributions. The loss to the Association from these sources this year will total nearly one thousand dollars. It may be said here that this anticipated loss was a primary factor in leading us to submit a bid on printing the 1959 Minutes of Synod.

Our printing plant now contains the following equipment.

- One Davidson 221 Offset Press
- One Thomas 5 station Collator
- One 23" Challenge Paper Cutter
- One Multigraph Power Folder
- One Boston Power Wire Stitcher
- One Reprograph 15" x 15" Process Camera
- One Paper Jogger
- One Ampto Processor
- One Printing Box
- One Power Graphotype
- Two Power Addressographs
- One Varigraph
- One DSJ Vari-Typer
- One A B Dick Mimeograph
- One I B M Electric Executive Typewriter

Also there are several smaller items which we will not take time to itemize. With this equipment we are able to meet all of our printing requirements from the printing of letterheads and envelopes to the production of brochures and booklets up to $\frac{1}{2}$ " in thickness. The maximum size sheet we can run on our press is 10" x 14" with a maximum image of 9 $\frac{3}{4}$ " x 13".

A question that may be in many minds in connection with our printing program is, does this mean that you have now gone into the printing business and that you are devoting your time to printing rather than to the regular work of the Association. The answer to that question is "No". While we have composed copy for and produced well over one million pages of literature including the **Christian Statesman** on our press during the past year, we have not been devoting more than an average of about ten hours a week to our printing operations. The balance of our time has been in promoting the regular work of the Association, such as, preparing

our Liquor Facts Folders – ten thousand of which were recently produced for the Michigan WCTU; ten thousand for the National Prohibition Committee in Winona Lake, Indiana, and an order for ten thousand is now waiting to be filled from the Pennsylvania WCTU. We have been editing the **Christian Statesman** and increasing its circulation. Over 3,700 copies were included in our May mailing. This is the largest circulation we have had for many years.

Other literature produced this past year includes three printings of approximately 3,000 each of the tract “The Coddled Octopus” by Dr. D. H. Elliott. Our supply is again exhausted and a fourth edition will be printed in the near future. Within the past month over five thousand copies of our latest Crusade Against Liquor Advertising Brochures were produced, and many orders for the same have already been received.

Letters from the office total approximately 5,000 a year. At least 25 addresses in behalf of the National Reform Association have been given in the past year. Also, in addition, we have supplied a number of vacant pulpits.

The struggle for funds with which to carry on the work of the work of the Association is ever present. Death has removed a number of liberal supporters during the past year, and there has arisen as yet no new recruits to take their place. Yet the Lord has blessed us, so that we have all our bills paid to date, and a fair balance in the bank with which to face the summer months.

Through the pages of the **Christian Statesman**, in our literature, annual meeting resolutions and public addresses, we bear testimony to the Kingship of Jesus Christ over the nation and urge the acknowledgment of Him in our National Constitution.

We wish to express our most sincere thanks to pastors, congregations and members of the Church who contributed so liberally to the support of the National Reform Association during the year that has passed.

Recommendations:

1. That pastors instruct their congregations in the National Reform cause, the social implications of the gospel, and the need for honoring Jesus Christ in our Constitution and in every other area of our national life.

2. That pastors and congregations assist in the endeavor to enlarge the circulation of the **Christian Statesman** by appointing a congregational agent to solicit subscriptions in conjunction with the annual National Reform offering.

3. That all congregations be urged to take an annual offering for the work of the Association, that pastors themselves, if a representative of the Association is not available, bring a special message on some phase of National Reform in connection with the offering, and that the goal of \$10,000.00 for National Reform be kept before our people.

4. That the close cooperation between the Christian Amendment Movement and the National Reform Association manifested this past year in the publishing of literature be commended and encouraged.

5. That the Church be encouraged to remember regularly in prayer the work and workers of the Association.

Respectfully submitted,
J. R. Patterson
Kermit S. Edgar
Frank H. Lathom
Charles T. Carson
Delber H. Elliott
Kenneth G. Smith
Chester R. Fox
K. M. Young
W. J. C. George

**ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT
THE NATIONAL REFORM ASSOCIATION**

November 1, 1957 to October 31, 1958
Balance (Mellon Nat'l Bank & Trust Co.) Nov. 1, 1957 \$ 864.73

RECEIPTS

General (contributions)	\$11,869.29	
Literature, sale of	991.26	
Withholding Tax - from salaries	215.50	
F.I.C. Tax - from salaries	83.90	
Return from Invested Funds	449.17	
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DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries, Pensions and Expenses ...	\$ 7,193.48	
Rent	1,012.56	
Printing	968.32	
Sundries (Includes approximately \$2,200 in printing equipment Stitcher D.S.J. Vari-Typer Folder Special Segment for Press Ampto equipment Final payments on Sound Projector)	4,143.31	
Withholding Tax	608.00	
F.I.C. Tax	349.04	
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Balance, October 31, 1958	\$ 199.14	
In addition to this balance the		

Association has \$8,000 invested in securities plus assets in the form of printing equipment purchased during the fiscal year.

All bills paid in full as of October 31, 1958

Signed,
K. M. Young, Treasurer

A report from the California Christian Citizens Association was read for information.

There was no report from the Committee on Christian General Education.

The report of the Home Mission Board was read and taken up item by item. Item one was referred to the Nominating Committee. Item two was adopted. Items three and four were recommitted for report next year. Item five was adopted. The matter of the discontinuance of the mission work among the Chinese of Los Angeles was referred back to the Board for further study, with power to act. The report was amended, adopted as a whole and is as follows:

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS

It is with praise and thanksgiving to God and to Jesus Christ, the King and Head of the Church that we make this report. Truly, His commission is accompanied with promise, and in marvelous ways He has sustained His workers and guided His work.

The Board of Home Missions held five regular and two synod meetings this year. Our membership is 18, including three women members recommended by the Women's Synodical Missionary Society. The average attendance was 14. Officers are Herbert A. Hays, president; John M. Allen, vice pres.; Kermit S. Edgar, rec. sec.; Roy C. Fullerton, cor. sec.; Chester R. Fox, treasurer.

The purpose of the Board, as expressed on the long-range report, "is to advance the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ by supervising the mission program of the Reformed Presbyterian Church as it is carried on in this country and by providing encouragement and financial help for small congregations and new mission programs." It is both initiatory and supervisory in character.

Home Missions

There has been much activity in this field which should cause the Church to rejoice. Rev. Robert McMillan and his family began work on February 1, 1959, in the new Park City field at Wichita, Kansas. Reports to the Board reveal a remarkable record of industry on the part of both Mr. and Mrs. McMillan, and of good backing by members of Midwest Presbytery.

Changing conditions at Lisbon, N. Y., led Dr. and Mrs. John Coleman to brave the severe winter weather and to extend their summer supply to a full year of ministry. Their labor of love was matched by the hope and enthusiasm of the congregation. Lic.

Reid Steward has accepted their call and will be installed pastor at Lisbon this summer.

Lic. Kenneth McBurney has accepted the call of the Portland, Oregon, congregation and will be installed pastor there this summer, assuring the continuation of the work of rebuilding already begun.

The Manchester church building was dedicated Sept. 27, 1958. The work of Rev. Robert R. Fullerton and the Parnassus congregation in this field has been an inspiration to the whole Church.

Dr. and Mrs. J. G. McElhinney have started a preaching mission at 20th Avenue and Monroe St. in Phoenix, Arizona, known as the "West Monroe Reformed Presbyterian Mission". It is approximately seven miles across town from our Phoenix church. Services were started October 5, 1958. While the exact status of the work is to be determined by Pacific Coast Presbytery, the Board is paying the rental on the building, and helping to meet other expenses. We recognize Dr. McElhinney's zeal and untiring efforts which put many of us to shame.

Mrs. John P. Mitchell has conducted the correspondence with the Out-of-Bounds members, bringing the address list up to date. Bible Mastery Month materials were enclosed in the letters sent out in January.

The Board prepared and sent to each presbytery a plan whereby presbyteries might help meet preaching and pastoral needs of their vacant congregations. Its objectives were (1) to encourage the vacant congregations by providing the services of a Covenanter pastor on a systematic basis one week out of the month, and (2) to help other congregations in seeing their responsibility toward vacant sister congregations.

The Board further prepared a statement governing the relationship between the Board and a Home Mission Secretary, if at a future time one is elected by the Synod.

We express our thanks to the Women's Synodical Missionary Society for the assistance given through their special project this past year. The money was used for work at Lisbon, Wichita, Phoenix Monroe Street Mission, and the Chinese Mission in Los Angeles.

The Home Mission department began the year with a balance of \$19,928.87 and closed with \$16,498.33. Because of heavy calls for assistance, the Board will reduce its balance by an additional \$5,000 this year, even though we ask of the Coordinating Committee \$7,000 for the coming year. This does not include the salary of a Home Mission Secretary if one is elected.

Southern Mission

Dr. Claude Brown continues to direct the work of the Southern Mission in his efficient manner. All departments are active and encouraging - kindergarten, youth work, and regular church activ-

ity. The used clothing department has not provided as much income as at other times because of financial inability; nevertheless, it has been used widely in acts of mercy. We thank the Church for this contribution.

The Board continues to study the Burwell Hospital building problem. Since Mr. W. J. Anderson suffered a heart attack there has been correspondence concerning the future supervision of the Burwell Hospital, but no long range decision has been reached.

The year opened with a balance in the treasury of \$14,185.18 and closed with \$14,402.75, much of which is money from the sale of the Knox Academy property some years ago, and is retained for possible repurchase of a portion of the land as needed. We ask the Coordinating Committee for nothing from next year's budget, but recognize that the Women's Synodical Missionary Society will pay the salary of the women workers - \$2,300 - which is a budget item.

Indian Mission

A Day of Prayer for a worker for the Indian Mission was held in February of 1958, following which Mr. Jerry Hayenga, a graduate of the Park Covenant Seminary, offered himself for this position. Licensed by Pacific Coast Presbytery, Mr. Hayenga spent the past year as a student in the R. P. Theological Seminary at the request of the Board. The Board has appointed Mr. Jerry Hayenga to the Cache Creek congregation as a Missionary for one year on a trial basis, subject to the official action of Midwest Presbytery.

The Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Ward retired from the Indian Mission on October 20, 1958, after sixteen years of faithful and devoted service. We owe to them a great debt of gratitude.

Dr. and Mrs. Jesse C. Mitchel were appointed to serve at the Indian Mission from October 10, 1958 to the present meeting of Synod to fill the gap before the arrival of Mr. Hayenga. Mr. Hayenga was married the last of May, and he and his wife will begin their work the 15th of June. Action is being taken to keep the buildings in good repair, and to help to develop the work among the Indians.

We began the year with a balance in the treasury of \$3,115.01 and closed it with \$3,586.88. We ask the Coordinating Committee for \$3,500.00 for the ensuing year.

Kentucky Mission

Mrs. R. C. Adams and Miss Elda Patton have braved the elements of a severe winter, faithfully to carry on the weekday teaching of the Bible to over 1,100 children in 27 classes in 21 schools, and to conduct the Sabbath Services at Wrigley and Blaze. 109 children earned Bibles for memory work this year. \$372 was spent for Bibles, Testaments and other awards, and \$360 for jeep expense - all of which was sent to the Mission by friends. We express to them our sincere thanks.

Mr. Robert Morrow, a student of Theology, served in Kentucky

for two months last summer (Mrs. Morrow served with him one month,) working in D.V.B. Schools and summer Camps, and putting the buildings into good repair. The Misses Norma Hays and Carlene Hutcheson will serve in Kentucky for six weeks this summer.

We opened the year with a balance of \$3,760.75 and closed with \$4,202.71. We ask the Coordinating Committee for \$3,500 this year.

Recommendations:

Your Board of Home Missions would respectfully recommend:

1. That successors to Kermit S. Edgar, Roy C. Fullerton, Mrs. W. F. Mandeville, T. C. McKnight, M. F. Murphy and Clark C. Pollock whose terms expire at this meeting, be elected;

2. That on the basis of \$3,000 per year minimum salary for pastors or stated supplies, plus \$800 per year additional for house rent where no parsonage is provided, the following supplements to congregations be approved;

Iowa Presbytery

Hopkinton \$ 600.00

Midwest Presbytery

Denver 600.00

Park City - Wichita 3,000.00

Stafford 780.00

New York Presbytery

Barnet 900.00

Cornwallis (for summer supply) 250.00

White Lake (no parsonage) 1,100.00

Pacific Coast Presbytery

Portland (no parsonage) 2,000.00

San Diego 1,200.00

Pittsburgh Presbytery

Bear Run - Mahoning 1,500.00

Connellsville 1,800.00

Union (no parsonage) 600.00

St. Lawrence Presbytery

Lisbon (no parsonage) 1,800.00

Lochiel 2,100.00

3. That in accord with the long range program of the Home Mission Board, the Synod this year elect a part time Field Secretary for and under the Home Mission Board:

4. That the offices of the Home Mission Secretary and Secretary of Young People's Work be united under one person;

5. That Herbert A. Hays be heard on the floor of Synod in connection with this report.

Respectfully submitted,
The Board of Home Missions
Kermit S. Edgar, Rec. Sec.

After the singing of the fifteenth Psalm, Synod advanced the time of recess to 4:45 P.M.

The report of the Committee on Time and Place was read, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON TIME AND PLACE

Your Committee was appointed with members in the Sterling, Kansas area that we might explore the possibilities of holding our 1960 meeting of Synod at Sterling College. We have met with Dr. McCreary, the president of the college, and studied the situation together.

Sterling College would be happy to make its facilities available to our Synod and the Synodical for their meetings in 1960 if we care to use them. There are dormitory rooms available at \$1.00 per day to handle 225 delegates which should be sufficient for both our Synod and Synodical. The College cafeteria will serve the meals for \$2.25 per day. The chapel is available along with rooms for committee meetings. Our Sterling church with its facilities one block away can be used for the Synodical meetings — although the college also has suitable rooms. The recreational facilities of the college and community are at our disposal that our minds may continue at peak performance through the days of Synod. The people of the congregation and community are interested in seeing Synod change its annual migratory paths and come to Sterling for its 1960 meeting.

We recommend:

1. That we accept Sterling's invitation and that Synod adjourn to meet Wednesday, June 1, 1960, 8:00 p.m. local time at Sterling College. (Amended later to read "June 8")

Respectfully submitted,
Paul E. Faris
Willis M. Edgar
Joseph M. Caskey

The report of the Traveling Fund and Absences Committee was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE TRAVELING FUND AND ABSENCE COMMITTEE

On the basis of 4,788 communicant members at \$1.25 per member the sum of \$5,985.00 is designated to the Traveling fund for the year 1959.

There were 86 delegates and missionaries to Synod who participated in the fund to the extent of \$5,070.50.

We acknowledge with thanks the help of W. Stewart McCreedy to this Committee.

We recommend:

1. That the Traveling Fund assessment continue to be one dollar and twenty five cents (\$1.25) per communicant member for the year 1960.

2. That the balance from the Traveling Fund of \$914.50 be credited to the Miscellaneous Fund.

Signed,
Glenn McFarland
Donald McClurkin

The following Presbytery and Commission reports were read, adopted and are as follows: Iowa, Illinois, Midwest, New York, Ohio, Pacific Coast, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, St. Lawrence, Cyprus.

REPORT OF IOWA PRESBYTERY

Iowa Presbytery would respectfully report that one meeting was held at the time of Synod last year, at Lake Koronis, July 15, 1958.

There are four congregations and one mission station under our care; three of these have settled pastors. There are four ministers on our roll; three are pastors, one is retired.

Rev. R. Paul Mathews was ordained and installed pastor of the Hopkinton Congregation, October 30, 1958.

The Hopkinton congregation has completed another successful year of Week-Day Religious Education on a released-time basis.

A daily vacation Bible School was held at the Sharon Church in cooperation with the Morning Sun congregation. Lake Reno also had a Daily Vacation Bible School.

A Young People's Conference is being planned for July 29-August 2, at the Sharon Church.

Ralph Joseph is a Pre-Ministerial Student under care of Presbytery, attending Geneva College.

Our present officers are: Moderator - John O. Edgar, Clerk - J. E. McElroy, Treasurer - R. P. Joseph, Young People's Secretary - J. E. McElroy, Committee on Supplies - John O. Edgar.

Our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College is John O. Edgar.

Licentiate Robert Morrow is supplying the pulpit of the Lake Reno Congregation this summer.

Respectfully submitted,
J. E. McElroy, Clerk

REPORT OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY

Our regular Fall meeting was held at the Bloomington Church. Bloomington, Indiana, October 28 and 29, 1958. One called meeting was held during the meeting of Synod at Lake Koronis.

Four of our six congregations have settled pastors. W. O. Ferguson, R. S. McElhinney, and M. S. McMillan are retired. John McMillan was released from his pastoral charge at Old Bethel, September 8, 1958 and was transferred to the New York Presbytery.

Presbyterial Evaluation, oversight and visitation of congregations in our care is underway and reports from the various congregations will be presented to the next regular meeting of Presbytery for consideration. This is in keeping with long range planning and implementation of goals outlined by Synod.

Roy Blackwood Jr. is moderator of the Presbytery, Philip Coon is clerk, Roy Blackwood is Young People's Secretary and was also Presbytery's representative on the Coordinating Committee. C. C. Brown is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College. A. W. Smith is Moderator of the Ad Interim Commission.

C. C. Brown is our Financial agent. We have endeavored to account for all our members. Our statistical report was forwarded to the Synod's Clerk and our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
Philip L. Coon, Clerk

REPORT OF MIDWEST PRESBYTERY

Midwest Presbytery would respectfully report that our regular annual meeting was held at Winchester, Kansas, October 7 and 8, 1958. Two called meetings were held during Synod. The Ad Interim Commission reported holding seven meetings.

Seventeen congregations are under our care. Twelve have settled pastors. Cache Creek, Hot Springs, and Beulah have stated supplies. Denver and Eskridge are vacant. Twenty-five ministers are on our roll. Twelve are pastors of congregations, two are stated supplies, three are foreign missionaries, one is in Christian Amendment work, one is a teacher at Geneva College, three are retired, one is at Wichita, and two are without charge.

J. C. Mitchel was released from Denver August 31, 1958.

Paul D. White was installed pastor of Quinter Congregation August 11, 1958.

T. R. Hutcheson received a regular gospel call to Superior, Nebraska Congregation and upon his acceptance was installed as pastor on March 27, 1959.

Robert McMillan was called by the Ad Interim Commission of Midwest Presbytery to begin work at Wichita. Mr. McMillan accepted the call and began work at Wichita about the first of February, 1959.

Four men are under care of Presbytery as students of theology; Robert McFarland and Kenneth McBurney who have completed their Seminary work, Robert More who was licensed to preach at Kansas City, May 19, 1959, and Verd Dunn who has completed his first year of Seminary work at Central Baptist Seminary under the supervision of Dr. S. B. Willson.

Two summer conferences are planned for this year; the Colorado Division at Covenant Heights, July 14-20, and the Kansas Division at Forest Park, August 17-24. The Colorado Women's

Presbyterial met at Greeley, May 13, 1959. The Kansas Women's Presbyterial met at Sterling, May 5 and 6, 1959.

Paul D. White is Moderator of Presbytery, Milton L. Harrington is Clerk, and A. D. Robb is Assistant Clerk. R. W. Caskey is Treasurer. Bruce C. Stewart and Paul E. Faris are Young People's Secretaries.

G. M. Robb is Moderator of the Ad Interim Commission and Clyde Redpath is Clerk. We were represented on the Coordinating Committee by Paul D. White and Elmer Graham from Quinter. Ross Latimer is our Financial Agent.

Our Statistical Report was forwarded to the stated clerk. Our Traveling Fund is paid in full. All our members are accounted for.

Signed,

Milton L. Harrington, Clerk

REPORT OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY

New York Presbytery reports that one regular and two called meetings were held during the past year. Our Ad Interim Commission held three meetings.

Nine congregations are under our care. Eight have settled pastors. Cornwallis has preaching only during the summer months when Robert Park acts as Stated Supply.

Eleven ministers are on our roll. J. M. McMillan was installed in the Coldenham congregation October 14, 1958. J. A. Hill is in the Bible Department in the Unity Christian High School in Hudsonville, Michigan. W. C. McClurkin and Walter Magee are without pastorates. Four men are under our care as Seminary Students. Wayne Spear has successfully completed two years of Seminary training and was licensed on June 4, 1959. John Russell and John White have successfully completed one year of Seminary training. Gene McFarland was taken under the care of Presbytery on June 4, 1959.

Presbytery cooperated in the Tri-Presbyterial program at White Lake Camp which included a Junior Camp, a Prep Camp and a four day Senior Camp. Besides this our Presbytery sponsored an Adult Bible Conference. Plans for this summer include a Junior Camp, a Prep and Senior Camp, and sponsoring an Adult Bible Conference.

We have completed the first cycle of our Visitation Program and are continuing the Program of Presbyterial Visitation to each congregation of our Presbytery. We believe that this has been profitable to us as congregations and as a Presbytery.

We adopted a list of duties for our Young People's Secretary so that both the Secretary and Presbytery might know his responsibilities.

The officers of Presbytery are as follows: Moderator, J. M. McMillan; Clerk, T. J. Wilson; Assistant Clerk and Treasurer, Luther McFarland; Moderator of the Ad Interim Commission, W. C. McClurkin; Young People's Secretary, D. L. Robb; and our member

of the Board of Corporators of Geneva College is T. J. Wilson, Our Financial Agent is Robert Russell. We were represented on the Coordinating Committee by Waldo Mitchel and Robert Russell.

Our statistical report has been forwarded to the Stated Clerk, all our members are accounted for and our Traveling Fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
R. A. Henning, Clerk

REPORT OF OHIO PRESBYTERY

Ohio Presbytery would respectfully report that during the year we have held one regular and one called meeting at Synod. The Ad Interim Commission has held two called meetings.

There are five congregations under our care, three of which have settled pastors. Two congregations have not had any preaching during the year.

There are four ministers on our roll, three of whom are settled pastors. J. K. Robb is retired and makes his home in St. Joseph, Michigan with a daughter. Two of our faithful elders were called home. James M. Keys of Belle Center, Ohio and Easson Shanklin of Southfield, Michigan. The Presbytery and The Women's Presbyterial met together at Belle Center in May and enjoyed hearing Miss Orlena Lynn report on the work in Japan.

Our Ohio-Illinois Young People did not hold a separate Conference last year because of the National Conference at Koronis, but they are planning for their Conference this year at St. Mary's, Ohio, August 10-17. A good program is being prepared.

The officers of Presbytery are as follows: Moderator, H. F. Thompson; Clerk, E. R. Hemphill; Assistant Clerk, J. R. Templeton; Treasurer and Young People's Secretary, E. R. Hemphill; Moderator of Ad Interim Committee, H. F. Thompson; Representative on Board of Corporators of Geneva College, E. R. Hemphill; Representative on Coordinating Committee, H. F. Thompson; and the Financial Agent is G. L. Henning.

Our Statistical Report was forwarded to the Stated Clerk, our Travelling Fund is paid in full and all our members are accounted for.

Respectfully submitted,
E. R. Hemphill, Clerk

REPORT OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY

The Pacific Coast Presbytery would respectfully report the annual meeting of Presbytery was held at Fresno, California September 25-27, 1958. Because of the National Convention at Koronis during the summer, no Presbyterial Conference was held on the West Coast. Therefore Presbytery called this three-day meeting which was well attended and which was of great value to each Congregation. Presbytery also held one special meeting at Synod. One of the main items of business at Presbytery was the submitting of a Ten Year Plan by each Congregation to the Pres-

bytery. A committee was then appointed to study these Ten Year Plans and to bring in an integrated report at the next meeting of Presbytery.

Five of the seven Congregations within our bounds have pastors. Robert McMillan resigned as pastor of the Fresno Congregation in January to begin a new work under the Mid-West Presbytery in Wichita, Kansas. Fresno is making diligent effort to secure preaching and a pastor. Portland Congregation has a pastor-elect, Licentiate Kenneth McBurney, who expects to take up work there in July.

We have two students under the care of Presbytery. Mr. Hayenga, who was licensed by Presbytery in August of 1958. Mr. Hayenga became a member of the Fresno Congregation. He had previously been licensed by the Presbyterian Church, had attended Sterling College and Covenant Park (Mission Covenant) Seminary. He desires to serve at the Indian Mission. Mr. Hayenga has been attending the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Pittsburgh this past year. Our other student under care of Presbytery is Leonard Orr, a third-year student at Geneva.

There are five active Pastors in the Presbytery. There are also five retired ministers, one of whom is Dr. J. G. McElhinney, who is at present working full time to establish a second Congregation in Phoenix, Arizona. One minister on the roll of Presbytery, Mr. Charles Chao, is engaged in trying to establish a Reformed Presbyterian Mission to the Chinese in Los Angeles, and is supported jointly by the Reformation Translation Fellowship and the Home Mission Board. Rev. J. K. Gault is also on the roll of our Presbytery.

The work of Presbytery this past year also included a Leadership Training School for High School Age Youth. This was held the last week of August with about 25 young people in attendance. The program is to be continued this year. Also a Conference for the young people of Presbytery was held over Christmas Vacation and proved valuable.

Presbytery has also established a "Presbytery Fund", other than the Traveling Fund to which all the Congregations are invited to give voluntarily over regular giving one Sabbath of the year.

The officers and representatives of Presbytery are:

Moderator - M. W. Martin

Clerk - R. Paul Robb

Treasurer - J. G. Betts

Young People's Secretary - R. Paul Robb

Representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College - R. Paul Robb

Moderator of Ad Interim Commission - Glenn McFarland

Representative to the California Temperance Federation -
E. G. Russell

Mr. Gordon Betts is our Traveling Fund Agent, Dr. R. E.

Smith and Ray Joseph were Presbytery's representatives on the Coordinating Committee. Our Traveling Fund is paid in full and the statistical report forwarded to Synod's stated clerk.

Respectfully submitted,
R. Paul Robb, Clerk

REPORT OF PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERY

The Philadelphia Presbytery would respectfully report that during the year we have held two meetings at Synod and our annual meeting this spring.

We have three congregations all under pastoral care. On our roll are two retired ministers, Dr. John Coleman and Dr. Julius Kempf. We have one student of Theology under our care, D. Ray McCracken. He has completed one year of Seminary training and has been advanced to a second year student. We have one licentiate, W. W. Weir.

The usual conferences were held in White Lake, N. Y. during August, 1958. The Women's Presbyterial was held in the United Church April 24, 1959. The Rev. R. A. Henning spoke concerning his trip to South America and the possibility of Mission work there.

The Third Philadelphia Congregation is meeting in their recently purchased Chapel building and they have been authorized to sell their former property at Franklin and Dauphin Streets.

Officers of the Presbytery are: Donald W. Felker, Moderator; G. W. Price, Clerk; G. W. Price, Treasurer; Donald W. Felker, Young People's Secretary. Our Financial Agent is Edward Forest. We are represented on the Board of Corporators by Dr. John Coleman. Our representatives on the Coordinating Committee were Donald W. Felker and Edward Forest.

Our Statistical report was forwarded to Synod's Stated Clerk and every member is accounted for. Our Traveling Fund will be paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
George W. Price, Clerk

REPORT OF THE PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

During the year, April 1, 1958 to March 31, 1959, two regular meetings of Presbytery were held. Since that time one regular meeting has been held.

There are seventeen congregations under our care. Of these twelve are served by settled pastors; five are vacant but are provided with preaching throughout the year.

There are 32 ministers on our roll. Twelve men are serving as pastors. Six are in the employ of Geneva College; one is President of the Seminary; one is President-emeritus of the Seminary; two are full-time professors in the Seminary; one is serving in the foreign field; one is serving the National Reform Association; one is National Young People's Secretary; seven are retired or without specific charge. During the year three of our ministers were called Home: Dr. R. H. Martin, October 23, 1958; the Rev.

W. J. McBurney, July 31, 1958; and Dr. John B. Thwing, April 18, 1959. The following students are under our care as students of Theology: Reid Stewart was graduated from the Seminary this year; James Pennington and Robert Morrow were licensed to preach May 19, 1959; Edward Robson has completed his first year in the Seminary; Keith Copeland, Young Son, and David Patterson expect to begin their Seminary course this fall. Jonathan Chao is a student in Geneva College.

T. Richard Hutcheson was released from the pastorate of the Rose Point congregation February 28, 1959, to accept the pastorate of the Superior, Nebraska congregation.

One of the most encouraging features of the work of our Presbytery is the work in Manchester, sponsored by the Parnassus congregation, which is continuing to expand under the direction of Rev. Robert Fullerton.

Our annual summer youth conference was not held this year due to the National Convention at Lake Koronis. A one day conference was held however, in the early Spring, under the direction of our Young People's Secretary, Rev. J. Paul McCracken.

Officers of our Presbytery are as follows: Robert Fullerton, Moderator; John H. Tweed, Clerk; Armour McFarland, Assistant Clerk; Kermit Edgar, Home Mission Secretary; J. Paul McCracken, Young People's Secretary; and Harold B. Harrington, Moderator of the Ad Interim Commission. Our Financial Agent is Armour McFarland.

We are represented on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College by Harold B. Harrington. Cloyd Caskey and R. H. Stohner were our representatives on the Coordinating Committee.

Our Traveling Fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
John H. Tweed, Clerk

REPORT OF ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

Our regular meeting was held on October 21 and 22, 1958, in the Syracuse Church. There was held, in addition, one meeting of the Ad Interim Commission, in the Lochiel Manse, for the purpose of approving the applications of Lisbon and Lochiel to the Home Mission Board for aid in paying the pastors' salaries.

We have three ministers on our roll, all of whom are settled pastors. Four congregations are under our care. A call from Lisbon congregation on Licentiate Reid Stewart to be their pastor is pending.

Three of our congregations held Daily Vacation Bible Schools and one cooperated with a Community School held in the district in the summer of 1958; and three of our congregations have given religious instruction in connection with the public schools.

Our presbyterial officers are R. B. McCracken, Moderator; F. F. Reade, Clerk; James Park, Treasurer; R. B. McCracken,

Y. P. Secretary. R. H. McKelvy is Moderator of the Ad Interim Commission. W. J. Burns is our financial agent. R. H. McKelvy and elder from Lochiel were appointed representatives on Synod's Coordinating Committee with R. B. McCracken as alternate. R. B. McCracken is our representative on the Board of Corporators of Geneva College.

Our presbytery, in conjunction with New York and Philadelphia presbyteries, sponsored the conference held at White Lake Covenant Camp. Junior, Intermediate and Senior conferences were held.

Our statistical report was duly forwarded to Synod's stated clerk. Our traveling fund is paid in full.

Respectfully submitted,
F. F. Reade, Clerk

REPORT OF THE CYPRUS COMMISSION

The members of the Cyprus Commission, appointed by the Synod for the year 1958-1959, are the Reverends C. C. Christou, E. C. Copeland (now on furlough in the U.S.A.) and T. M. Hutcheson; and elders Euclid Th. Panayiotides, Greek Congregation, Apel Dombourian, Nicosia Armenian Congregation and S. Gulesserian, Larnaca Armenian Congregation and W. W. Weir. T. M. Hutcheson is Moderator. Euclid Th. Panayiotides is Clerk, filling the place left vacant by E. C. Copeland. C. C. Christou is Treasurer.

The Commission held nine regular meetings during the year and its Minutes are being presented to the Synod for review. The Commission meets regularly the first Saturday of each month.

There are three congregations under our care: one Greek congregation with members living in Larnaca, Nicosia, Limassol and Kyrenia; one Armenian congregation in Larnaca; and one Armenian congregation in Nicosia. There are also some members of the Armenian congregations who live in Famagusta and Limassol. None of these congregations has a pastor. The Rev. C. C. Christou has been appointed Moderator of the Sessions of the Greek congregation and of the Armenian congregation, Nicosia, in the absence of E. C. Copeland. T. M. Hutcheson is appointed Moderator of the Larnaca Armenian congregation.

The missionaries and protestant school teachers, as well as the elders cooperate in providing preaching for the various congregations, according to a program arranged by the Moderators of the sessions of the three congregations. We provide for seven preaching services each Lord's Day: Three in Larnaca (Greek, Armenian and English); three in Nicosia; and one in Limassol (Greek). This does not include the midweek services held regularly nor the special meetings held in preparation for the Communion or Evangelistic Services.

Rev. E. C. Copeland is greatly missed in every department of the work. We depend a great deal upon Rev. C. C. Christou for

both translation work and for caring for these services.

All preaching is without cost to the congregations and without extra remuneration to the person preaching, except for an occasional gift from the congregation to the non-missionary teachers and elders who take services or do interpretations. The Limassol field is badly neglected, now, because of a lack of a permanent worker there. We need a Bible Woman there who is able to teach a woman's class and a Sabbath School class for the children. There is not enough pastoral work being done in any of our congregations due to various reasons.

The Armenian Congregations have no pastor and the arrangements for autonomy are not going forward. Elder Nishan Helvedjian, Nicosia, has been doing a good deal to lead the Nicosia Armenian Congregation and Youth groups. Since E. C. Copeland left Nicosia, Nishan has invited the Brethren Missionaries in Nicosia to join them in a Bible Study hour one evening each week. Elder S. Kassouni is in charge of leading and organizing the congregational activities and services in Larnaca. The Armenian Congregations have jointly invited Rev. Hagop Sagherian, of Beirut, a former pastor, to come to Cyprus for two weeks in order that he might advise them on what to do. He has informed them that he cannot come before November.

The Young People's Conference Committee, under the sponsorship of T. M. Hutcheson arranged for a Youth Conference on Troodos last September. Since conditions were quite dangerous during July and August, due to inter-communal killings, we canceled our plans for Camping-out and rented a vacant Mountain Hotel on Troodos and held a Conference the first week in September. The New Committee under the sponsorship of E. C. Copeland arranged for a winter week-end Conference in Larnaca early last December. The same Committee under the sponsorship of Miss Blanche McCrea arranged for a week-end Conference April 17-19 at the Nicosia American Academy for Girls. This conference was well attended, due to peaceful conditions now prevailing. We are already planning to have another Conference on Troodos July 29 through Aug. 3rd.

Daily Vacation Bible Schools were held in Larnaca and Nicosia last July. They were well attended. Unfortunately they had to be closed prematurely because of the seriousness of the inter-communal which was then taking place. Daily Vacation Bible Schools are being planned for this next July, under the leadership of Mrs. W. W. Weir, Larnaca, and Mrs. Euclid Panayiotides, Nicosia.

The Governing Body of the American Academies has had regular meetings during the past year. One of their most trying problems was the matter of finance, due to the withdrawal of all but three Government salaries paid to our school they have also been forced to reduce the school to a seven years school, instead of eight, for economy reasons. All teachers were asked to turn back 20% of their salaries to the school with a promise that it

would be repaid within five years. It appears now that this will be repaid at the end of this school year. Four new members have been added to the Governing Body by the Commission. Rev. Geo. Moissides and Dr. Stephen Gulesserian, M. D., as regular members, and T. M. Edgar and Mrs. Marjorie Hutcheson to fill the unexpired terms of E. C. Copeland and Miss Ruth Reade.

The Bread of Life Bookstore is having a good patronage from a growing number of customers. The Army Padres have been good customers. Rev. E. C. Copeland and Rev. C. C. Christou are in charge. Rev. Christou is now the sole manager, during Rev. Copeland's absence. This keeps him quite busy and it is confining. Little time is left for anything else except his preaching duties and committee assignments. \$14.00 worth of books, suitable for teachers of Bible, were given to the school libraries by the Commission through the Bookstore, during the year.

The translation of the Psalms into Greek has been completed by Rev. Christou. They are now being mimeographed at the American Academy Office, Larnaca, and should be ready for trial use by June.

The matter of getting a Greek-speaking Bible Woman has been under discussion during the past year, but no suitable person has yet been found.

A Worker's Conference was held on November 22nd. The morning meeting was devoted to studies for Bible teachers in the schools. The afternoon was especially for those preaching in our pulpits. Rev. Christou was chairman of the Conference. It was felt that such a conference was very useful and that another one should be held at a later date.

Our budget for this year was set at \$4,334.00. This includes a special item of \$1,240.00 for the improvement of the Mission property in Nicosia, or for the completion of the church house in Limassol. Also, a special fund of \$1,540.00 was budgeted for the purchase of a new Mission car.

We now have two ministers on our roll: Rev. C. C. Christou, No. 5 Chilon St., Nicosia, Cyprus, and Rev. Argos Zodiates, Katarine, Greece. Word has been received that Rev. Zodiates has been asked to leave Greece by May 2nd. He is pastor of a Protestant Refugee Congregation with an average attendance of 800 or more. It is hoped that the Lord will intervene. If he has to leave we would like to have him return to Cyprus.

Our three congregations have a total membership of 168.

T. M. Hutcheson, Moderator
E. Th. Panayotides, Clerk
(Djaferis)

The name of Argos Zodiates was dropped from the roll of Synod because of his membership in another church. E. C. Copeland was instructed to notify Mr. Zodiates of this action.

The report of the Committee on the Records of Presbyteries was read, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON RECORDS OF PRESBYTERIES

The records of all nine Presbyteries and Minutes of the Cyprus Commission are here and have been examined. Nothing was found contrary to the law and order of the Church except as follows:

1. In the record of Midwest Presbytery the minutes of October 7, 1958, have not been signed by the Moderator.

2. In the record of New York Presbytery in one minute the year in which the meeting was held was not noted, no names of those present were given, and in another connection one member was not properly identified.

The Minutes of the Cyprus Commission were examined and found regular.

D. Howard Elliott, Clerk

Waldo Mitchel, Ass't. Clerk

A partial report of the Nominating Committee was read and adopted.

TUESDAY, - 6:30 P. M.

Synod reconvened in prayer by J. R. Patterson.

The minutes of the previous session were read and approved.

The report of the Foreign Mission Board was again taken up. Item five was laid on the table and a substitute adopted.

A letter was authorized sent encouraging the Hebron Reformed Presbyterian Church of Nigeria with whom the Hebron congregation has been corresponding.

Synod ordered 100 Bibles to be sent to the Nigerian field at the discretion of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Item six was referred to the Nominating Committee. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE FOREIGN MISSION BOARD

The Psalmist states: "Except the Lord build the house, they labor in vain that build it: except the Lord keep the city, the watchmen waketh but in vain." (Psalm 127:1). One may plant and another water, but it is God who gives the increase. A lasting mission enterprise must be built on the True Foundation, but the increase depends upon the Gracious Sovereign. Your Board is conscious of building upon the True Foundation and of building with those materials which are precious in order that they may stand in the days of testing.

Our report will not be in detail as the various articles presented in the Missionary number of the **Witness** keep us posted on current missionary activity; and the detailed reports from the field are published in the **Year Book of Missions**. In our report we will review the outstanding developments and attempt to project future activities.

Personnel Changes

We rejoice in the Lord's providential care for the missionaries under appointment by the Board. The Clark Copeland family arrived safely in New York after an air flight from Cyprus on Feb. 25th, 1959. Miss Lynn docked in Los Angeles on May 3rd of this year. Miss Reade is scheduled for furlough this summer. The Sandersons will sail for Cyprus on July 24th, and on Aug. 25th, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hutcheson will sail for Cyprus.

The Fields

Cyprus

The outstanding event in Cyprus this past year was the ending of hostilities. We praise God that all through these disturbances our missionaries were kept in safety. We pray that the witness which was interrupted by this civil disorder may once more be carried on in a most effective manner.

The future of the work is unknown to man. We are told by our missionaries that the "religious freedom" granted by the new government will determine the extension of our labors. Perhaps one straw in the wind will be the reception which the "Voice of the Andes" receives. A representative has been in Cyprus seeking permission to erect the necessary radio equipment to broadcast to the Near East. If such a request is denied it could be that "religious freedom", as we understand it, will be lacking and it might mean the continued curtailment of our work.

The new Republic is contemplating free education for the people of the Island. This might cut into the school work by reducing the enrollment at the Academies. There is also a proposal that the English establish a University of Cyprus before they leave. This might mean a quickening of educational demands.

Progress has been made in translation work. The Constitution of the Church has been translated and published. Thus this is now available as well as that which was mentioned before. They are now working on a translation of the Psalter in meter and the book, *The Reformed Doctrine of Predestination*. There is a dearth of Reformed literature in Greek. The Bread of Life Book Store is well received and its facilities used. This gives a wide area of contact to the work in Cyprus.

The Board is renewing its request of last year that a Bible Woman be secured. There is the need for a Greek pastor to work among the people.

Japan

The work continues to go forward in Japan. In addition to the general missionary activities of all the fields, language study keeps the missionaries busy. New opportunities are always at hand. The limit in the out-reach is that limit which is placed upon the physical body by nature.

The work continues among the boys at Sugurandai. The con-

gregation in Ichinotani has not benefited as most of these boys do not live in the Kobe area. However, as they return to their homes a Christian witness may be lighted in an area of darkness.

Mr. Tashio Masunaga, a graduate of the Kobe Reformed Church Seminary (Japanese) was taken under care of the Far East Commission as a candidate for licensure and passed his examination on Sept. 10, 1958. In October he was called to be pastor of the Ichinotani Congregation and was ordained and installed pastor on Feb. 4, 1959. In April their communion was observed and 9 new members came into membership—6 by profession of faith, and 3 by letter. The communion service was conducted in Japanese and the sessional records are now being kept in Japanese. The congregation is hopeful of securing a building site soon and erect a house of worship. The Board is happy to report this progress.

As of the first of the year there were still 61 Psalms and portions to be set to meter, but it is soon hoped that the entire Psalter will be ready for publication. The term for which Miss Huston was re-appointed will terminate next summer and so the Board is calling for a Bible Woman to replace her.

Last summer the mission surveyed a new area and is expanding the Covenanter Mission to the west of Kobe. The Himeji area has been selected (population of over 83,000) and twice a week classes are conducted. The Boyles plan to move to the new area this fall.

Syria

Although there is nothing new to report from Syria, we are continuing to grant financial assistance according to the program which has been established. We are now granting \$5000.00 assistance which is a reduction of \$1,000.00 from last year. In addition to this, we are continuing to grant assistance to the Principal of the Girls' School.

There are three ordained ministers in Syria: Rev. Khalil Awad, Rev. Jamil Tranjan, and Rev. Ibrahim Besna. The first two live in Latakia and the third in Baniyas, about thirty miles away from Latakia.

On Sabbath, May 17th, four new elders and three deacons were installed in Latakia. Thus there are seven elders in Latakia at present. In Inkzik there are three, of whom one is a regular member of the Commission and a preacher who is also a member in the Commission. In El Ghanamiyh there are two Ruling Elders and a preacher.

The New Field

In our report presented at last Synod it was recommended that the Church open a new field and that the Board be granted authority to investigate a new field and issue a call for personnel necessary to staff the field. This recommendation was adopted and the Board sent two members, the Rev. J. Paul Wilson and the Rev. Robert A. Henning, to survey part of Central and South

America and report to the Board. In response to their report, it was voted to open a new field in Ecuador (the Cotopaxi Province) and work among the Quechua Indians. The Board plans to renew its appeal for personnel necessary to man this station.

There are four possible avenues of mission labors in the new field: Pastoral, Medical, Educational and Agricultural. A Committee of the Board is preparing a clear outline of the aims and extent of each of these avenues. As of this time no candidates have presented themselves to labor in one of the above named categories.

Recommendations:

1. That the Cyprus Commission consist of C. C. Christou, T. M. Hutcheson, E. Panayiotides, A. Dombourian, S. Gulesserian, and W. W. Weir. The Commission to elect its own officers.

2. That the Far East Commission consist of S. E. Boyle, G. W. Spear, T. Masunaga, T. S. Shinoda. The Commission to elect its own officers.

3. That Synod authorize an appeal for a woman for missionary work in Japan.

4. That Synod authorize an appeal for a woman for missionary work in Cyprus.

5. That Synod renew the authorization for an appeal for workers for a new field and that the Foreign Board be authorized to investigate other new fields.

6. The terms of the following members have expired and their successors should be appointed: C. R. Fox, A. J. Harding, W. K. Metcalfe, Mrs. Thomas Nimick, Rev. G. W. Price, Rev. D. I. Robb.

Charles Sterrett,
Corresponding Secretary

By special resolution, Synod directed its Board of Trustees to apportion \$25,000 of the Contingent Fund Account to the Boards and Committees whose endowments have made this fund possible.

Synod also requested the Coordinating Committee of next year to note the balances of those boards which participated in the \$25,000 fund.

Synod's Board of Trustees was instructed to propose a ceiling for this Contingency Account and to inform Synod of this ceiling.

Upon the announcement of the death of R. S. McCloy, a member of the Court from Fresno, Synod sang the 23rd Psalm and was led in prayer by J. B. Willson.

The report of the Coordinating Committee was again taken up. Item four was amended. The report as a whole was adopted and is as follows:

The Coordinating Committee met at the call of the chairman, P. D. McCracken, at 10:10 A. M., June 3, 1959, in the Library of Geneva College, and was led in prayer by him after reading Ps. 19 and 37:17.

Officers present were: Chairman, P. D. McCracken; Secretary, F. F. Reade; Assistant Secretary, Paul White; A. Sec. Protom, Glenn McFarland came in later.

Illinois - A. W. Smith
Iowa - R. Paul Mathews
Midwest - Paul D. White, Elmer Graham
Ohio - Harold Thompson
Pacific Coast - R. P. Joseph
Pittsburgh - C. E. Caskey, R. H. Stohner
New York - Waldo Mitchel, Robert Russell
Philadelphia - Donald Felker, Edward Forest

Foreign Missions – R. B. McCracken
Home Missions – Kermit Edgar
Southern Mission – Kermit Edgar
Indian Mission – Kermit Edgar
Kentucky Mission – Kermit Edgar
Home Mission Secretary – Kermit Edgar
Young People's Secretary – R. B. McCracken
Woman's Association – Mrs. Kermit Edgar
Mrs. Howard George (Alternate)
Theological Seminary – Willard McMillan
Ministerial Relief – J. O. Edgar
Widows and Orphans – J. O. Edgar
Geneva College – Kermit Edgar (Alternate)
Covenanter Witness – R. W. Caskey
Witness Committee – C. R. Fox
Christian Education – F. H. Lathom
Church Erection – F. L. Stewart
Miscellaneous Fund – C. R. Fox
S. S. Material – Don Felker
D. V. B. S. – Mrs. M. W. Dougherty

The departments of the Church presented their requests for participation in Synod's Budget. The Budget was set at \$120,435. The requests and recommended grants to the various departments are as follows:

Department	Request	Recommended Grant
Foreign Missions	\$ 30,000	\$ 25,000
Home Missions	7,000	7,000
*Southern Mission	none	2,300
Indian Mission	3,500	3,000
*Kentucky Mission	none	3,735

Home Mission Secretary	(?)	
Young People's Secretary	5,300	4,900
Woman's Association	8,000	4,000
Theological Seminary	13,500	13,500
Student Aid	2,500	2,500
Ministerial Relief	10,000	5,000
Widows and Orphans	5,000	4,000
Geneva College	17,500	15,000
Covenanter Witness	9,500	9,000
Witness Committee	11,000	10,000
Christian Education	600	600
Church Election	3,000	3,000
Miscellaneous	3,500	3,500
N. A. E.	250	250
Com. on S. S. Materials	450	450
Com. on D.V.B.S. Materials	5,000	
	<hr/> \$135,600	<hr/> \$120,435

*Paid by the Women's Synodical.

During Consideration of the Budget the time for lunch arrived and the Coordinating Committee recessed for one hour at 12:15 P. M.

It was voted to grant \$2,000 to the Committee on Evangelism and to recommend this Committee to Synod for budget participation.

No grant was made to the Committee on Daily Vacation Bible Schools but the Committee was continued on the budget roster.

The Coordinating Committee recommends:

1. That the proposed budget of \$120,435 be adopted.
2. That the grant to the **Covenanter Witness** be a preferred claim.
3. That the grant to the National Association of Evangelicals be a preferred claim.
4. That the Committee on Evangelism and the new Board of Christian Education be recommended for budget participation, and that this Committee on Daily Vacation Bible Schools be given no grant this year, but be continued on the budget roster.
5. That the officers for the Coordinating Committee for the coming year be elected by this Synod, and that this item be referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Coordinating Committee adjourned at 4:30 P. M., Paul White leading in prayer.

F. F. Reade, Secretary

In connection with the Long Range Planning Committee report, paper No. 1 in reference to reports to Synod and paper No. 5 in reference to the time of Synod meetings were recommitted to this Committee to be reported on next Synod.

The term of office of the Director of Christian Education was

made three years and the arrangements for remuneration were made the same as those for the former Young People's Secretary.

Item No. 6 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on Bible Studies was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BIBLE STUDIES

Synod's Committee on Bible Studies respectfully reports that since last Synod 2,583 studies have been distributed, with receipts of \$48.58. The money to print the studies was borrowed from the Miscellaneous Fund, and receipts over the cost of distribution are used to repay this loan.

Armour McFarland, who serves the Church as administrator of the studies, has on hand about 7900 copies. These are available from him for two cents per copy, or fifty cents per packet of the thirty-two studies complete.

The original plan, adopted in 1954, was to prepare a "series of Bible studies which could be used by laymen and ministers alike in doing personal work, presenting the Gospel and the great truths of Scripture upon which the Church is founded.

The following were proposed:

1. A series on General Christian Introduction. This is completed, with 14 studies.
2. A series following the order of the Shorter Catechism. Eighteen studies are available, covering questions 1-28.
3. A series on the Reformed Presbyterian Church. None in this series has been prepared.

We recommend:

1. That pastors be encouraged to use Synod's Bible Studies, and to encourage their people to use them.

2. That, since there have been inquiries about Bible studies on the distinctive witness of our Church, Synod refer to the Witness Committee the possibility of presenting the principles of the Church by means of a series of Bible studies.

3. That this committee be continued, with Armour McFarland, Chairman.

4. That suggestions and criticisms about questions or Bible references be sent to the chairman of the committee.

5. That orders for Bible Studies be sent to Armour McFarland, Mars, Pennsylvania.

T. R. Hutcheson
J. Paul McCracken
Armour McFarland
D. Howard Elliott
S. Bruce Willson
Willard McMillan

Item No. 5 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee to Review Chapters 29 and 30 of the Testimony was read,

adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO REVIEW CHAPTERS 29 AND 30 OF THE TESTIMONY

The Committee to review Chapters 29 and 30 of the Testimony respectfully reports that we have reviewed the reports of 1957 and 1958. We have made progress, but are not yet ready to submit a draft for overture. Some of the areas which need further clarification are: "dissent," "Saviour of nations," "the distinctive functions of Church and state as divinely appointed."

We recommend that the Committee be continued.

T. R. Hutcheson
Kenneth L. Kennedy
Willard E. Hemphill
J. G. Vos
Harold B. Harrington

Item No. 13 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Commission to Consider autonomy for the Syrian Mission was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMISSION TO CONSIDER AUTONOMY FOR THE SYRIAN MISSION

The Commission has held four meetings since the last meeting of Synod. We have sought to pursue our assigned task along two lines: first, by correspondence with the Syrian Mission through our brother Khalil Awad, we have asked for, and received, a **Declaration of Faith** signed by the Syrian members of the Syrian Commission. Also, the steps to be taken for the formation of a Presbytery in Syria have been submitted to them with the request that the Presbytery be formed. Up to this date the Presbytery has not been formed.

The second line in fulfilling our task was for the various members of this Commission to study assigned parts of the Constitution of the Church here in America to determine those parts that have particular application to the Church in America, but no proper application to the Church in Syria. This work has been done and the reports are being kept on file for our use.

The **Declaration of Faith** signed and submitted by the members of the Syrian Commission was considered to be good as far as it went, but it was judged somewhat too general in some points, while not touching upon other parts which we believe to be essential to a Covenanter Church in Syria. Correspondence is still in progress to resolve these differences, and we anticipate an early conclusion to our work.

Our minutes are submitted herewith. The Commission has incurred \$38.34 expense for postage and travel.

We recommend that the Commission be continued and that the expense be paid from the Miscellaneous Fund of Synod.

J. Paul Wilson, Moderator
C. S. Sterrett, Clerk

Syrian Autonomy Commission

White Lake, New York

August 8, 1958

9:00 P. M.

The Commission was called to meet on this date by the Moderator, J. Paul Wilson. The following members were present: J. Paul Wilson, E. H. McBurney, C. S. Sterrett. Two members were absent: R. A. Henning and W. K. Metcalfe.

The Court was constituted in prayer by the Moderator and C. S. Sterrett was elected Clerk.

The following plan of procedure was adopted:

1. We seek from the Syrian Presbytery a statement of doctrine and practice. (Includes both worship and church government)

2. If no reply is received within a reasonable time, we shall propose to them the acceptance of the **Constitution of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America**, excepting those points which are peculiarly applicable to the Church in North America.

The following (attached) letter by the Moderator was considered, amended, and ordered sent.

The following assignments were made in case it became necessary to consider step 2:

Terms of Communion

Confession of Faith – C. S. Sterrett

Larger and Shorter Catechism – E. H. McBurney

Church Government – R. A. Henning

The Dec. & Test., Covenant 1871 – J. P. Wilson

The Minutes were read and approved.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by E. H. McBurney.

J. Paul Wilson, Moderator

C. S. Sterrett, Clerk

Syrian Autonomy Commission

23rd St. Y.M.C.A., N.Y.C.

March 10, 1959

1:00 P. M.

The meeting was constituted in prayer by the Chairman, J. Paul Wilson.

All members were present: W. K. Metcalfe, J. Paul Wilson, E. H. McBurney, C. S. Sterrett.

The chairman reviewed the correspondence with Rev. Awad. The nature of the assignment of Synod was discussed together with the "Statement of Faith" submitted by the members of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Syria, U.A.R.

Upon motion it was voted to take recess till after the meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions. E. H. McBurney led in prayer.

23rd St. Y.M.C.A., N.Y.C.
March 10, 1959
6:15 P. M.

The Commission was reconvened in prayer by J. Paul Wilson.
Members present: J. Paul Wilson, W. K. Metcalfe,
E. H. McBurney

Upon further discussion it was voted:

1. That the various assignments be called for at the next meeting. (Assignments made in August, 1958)

2. That Mr. Awad be contacted to secure information as to ministers and elders and congregations and mission stations in Syria.

It was voted to adjourn to meet March 23, 1959 at 444 Madison Avenue.

The meeting was adjourned in prayer by W. K. Metcalfe at 6:45 P. M.

J. Paul Wilson, Moderator
C. S. Sterrett, Clerk

Syrian Autonomy Commission

444 Madison Avenue
New York, New York
March 23, 1959
5:15 P. M.

The Commission met at the above time and place and was constituted in prayer by the chairman, J. Paul Wilson.

All members were present; J. Paul Wilson, R. A. Henning, W. K. Metcalfe, E. H. McBurney, C. S. Sterrett.

Following opening remarks by the moderator and other members, the Commission engaged in a season of prayer with all members praying.

The Minutes of the March 10, 1959 meeting were read and approved.

The Moderator read his letter to Rev. Awad in which he sought additional information as to the names of all elders, teaching and ruling, and the congregations which they represented together with all congregations and mission station names. The letter has been sent.

It was moved and seconded that we inform the Syrian Churches of the action of Synod ordering them to form a presbytery; and list the steps of procedure for their guidance in case they have not already formed a presbytery; and that we inform the Presbytery that they should report to Synod and such report should be forwarded through the Commission by June 1st, 1959. This report is to be signed by the Clerk of the Syrian Presbytery.

The reports of the various committees were presented. It was voted that they be accepted and kept on file.

It was voted that the Syrian Presbytery be instructed to

study the Confession of Faith, the Larger and Shorter Catechism, and the Declaration & Testimony. And on the basis of this study be ready to acknowledge that the system of doctrine contained in these documents is agreeable to and founded upon the Scriptures. Especially their attention is to be called to chapters 23 and 24 of the Declaration and Testimony.

It was voted that we inquire if they be willing to accept in their Declaration of Faith the 5th Term of Communion (An acknowledgment that public covenanting is an ordinance of God to be observed by churches and by nations; that the obligations of such covenants are perpetual); and upon acceptance would they look forward to the preparation of a covenant for themselves in the future; and would they also incorporate in their Declaration of Faith the 6th Term of Communion of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by R. A. Henning.

J. Paul Wilson, Moderator

C. S. Sterrett, Clerk

Syrian Autonomy Commission

Geneva College
Beaver Falls, Pa.

June 8, 1959

1:00 P. M.

The Commission was called to meet at the above time and place. The Court was constituted in prayer by the moderator.

The following members were present: J. Paul Wilson, R. A. Henning, E. H. McBurney, C. S. Sterrett. W. K. Metcalfe was absent.

The minutes of March 23rd, 1959 were read and approved.

The moderator stated that the letter to the Syrian Presbytery was sent, but ample time for their reply and report was not provided.

The report to Synod was adopted.

The minutes of the meeting (of today) were read and approved.

The Court was adjourned in prayer by E. H. McBurney.

J. Paul Wilson, Moderator

C. S. Sterrett, Clerk

Item No. 14 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on the 400th Anniversary of the Church of Scotland was read, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE ON 400TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

The original assignment given this committee was "to prepare a suitable memorial for the 400th anniversary of our Church", to which was added "and to prepare for next year a memorial commemorating the 150th anniversary of the organization of the

Synod of our Church in America.”

The first concern of the committee has been to determine the precise nature of our assignment, and second, to prepare suitable memorials in fulfillment of this purpose.

Historical accuracy compels us to call attention to the fact that although the year 1560 is of great significance to the general tradition of the Covenanting Presbyterianism, it might be considered presumptuous of us to claim that this date marks the beginning of “our church” in the sense of the “Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America.” However, we do not consider it presumptuous to claim identification with the heritage of the Reformed theology, the Presbyterian church government, and the Covenanter concern for personal and social commitment to Jesus Christ as both Saviour and Lord in all the areas of life. In this sense the year 1560 marked the beginning of an important phase of this heritage.

On December 20, 1560, forty-two representative protestant leaders, including six ministers, met “to consult upon those things which are to forward God’s glory, and the weil of his Kirk in this realm.” This was the first meeting of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland. Its significance for us today rests in the development of the general pattern of the presbyterian form of church government.

The Scottish parliament had abolished the papal jurisdiction four months before this meeting of the General Assembly. It had also directed that a Confession of Faith be written. The task of the first General Assembly was to implement that Confession and to promote a general reformation of the Church in Scotland. This they did by developing a complete revision of church doctrine and government. The first Book of Discipline dealt with more than we would usually associate with that title. They included plans for the establishment of a school system extending from every local parish to selected Universities; they recommended an equitable distribution of the income from lands which had been taken over from the papal church to support the churches and the educational system; they provided for the worship of the churches and suggested revisions in the laws respecting marriage.

The far-reaching effects of the impetus to exalt the Scriptures as the inerrant standard for faith and life initiated in this assembly in 1560 cannot be ignored if we are to understand subsequent history. Neither can this emphasis be overlooked in this mid-twentieth century, if the Church is to be true to its calling.

150th Anniversary of the Founding of the Synod

We would remind the Synod that this year marks the 150th anniversary of the founding of our Synod at Philadelphia, May 24, 1809. The ministers and elders of the Church that assembled that year would have noted no appreciable difference in their work as a “Synod” from that which had been their former practice in the Reformed Presbytery. Between the year of its re-constitution in

Feb. 22, 1798, and its constitution as a Synod, the Presbytery had been diligent in its work. It had sought to enlist ministers for the scattered societies in the colonies, and to train candidates for the ministry. It had revised the terms of communion of the Irish and Scottish churches insofar as their condition in America made necessary such change. It had debated and published an historical and declaratory testimony. Its intention to publish an "argumentative" testimony was never realized.

The work of the Presbytery had been carried forward by three committees. The "judicial committee" system had been inherited from the period in which the churches in America had been under the administration of a committee of the Scottish Presbytery, 1782-1789. Such administration by long-distance communication was found to be unsatisfactory, and when sufficient ministers were in this country, the Presbytery was formed. The three committees were geographically organized. The Northern Committee was responsible for all Covenanter congregations and societies from Canada to the northern border of Pennsylvania. The Middle Committee had jurisdiction from the northern border of Pennsylvania to the northern border of North Carolina and Tennessee. The Southern Committee had jurisdiction from this line to the Gulf of Mexico. The acts of these committees were subject to the review of the Presbytery.

The formation of the Synod was, in a sense, merely a technical change from the committee system to the more formal recognition of regional presbyteries. The three committees were dissolved and the three presbyteries were erected to take their place.

However, the formation of the Synod was more than a technical realignment of church machinery, or semantic definition of terms. It was the recognition of the basic scriptural principle of the gradation of the courts of the Church. These men had included in their written Testimony (adopted in 1806) a statement concerning the government of the Church which included the following sentence, "Ministers and ruling Elders meet in courts, congregational sessions, presbyteries, and synods, in regular subordination the one to the other." (Test. Chap. XXIII, Par. 33) There seems to have been little debate, if any, over the change between "committee" and "presbytery." The change seems to have come as a natural recognition of the need for more regional authority to deal with the local problems, rather than referring each problem to the general presbytery for review. The formation of the Synod then, may have been primarily due to the practical necessities of the times, rather than to any concerted move to change the form of church government. They had recognized the legitimate place of a synod in the scriptural form of church government at least three years before they felt that the time had come to form one.

The careful groundwork had been laid through the long years of religious struggle in Scotland that later had profound influence on the development of the Church in America. We do well to take

note of this mile-post in the history of the Church. For 150 years through wars and depressions, through theological and social conflicts of great significance, the Synod has been recognized as the highest court of the Church. Recognizing the weaknesses of fallible men, we look to the Holy Spirit to abide in the Church, and in the hearts of his people and to guide them in the study of the Scriptures which are the infallible rule for the Church in all questions of doctrine, worship, government and discipline.

We recommend:

That Roy Blackwood, Harold Harrington, Willard McMillan, and Robert Tweed be requested to prepare an evening conference for the next Synod on a theme of their choice showing the relevance of the First General Assembly of the Church of Scotland of 1560 to the Covenanter Church today.

(Signed)

S. Bruce Willson

David M. Carson

Roy Blackwood, Jr.

W. R. White

Item No. 16 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Committee on Re-alignment of Illinois and Iowa Presbyteries was read, adopted and is as follows:

COMMITTEE TO RE-ALIGN IOWA AND ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIES

Your Committee on Re-alignment of Illinois and Iowa Presbyteries would respectfully report:

After considering factors and problems involved—such as outlying congregations, Young People's Conferences, etc., it is the unanimous opinion of the members of this Committee and we recommend that the question of realigning Illinois and Iowa Presbyteries should be dropped and no action taken.

Respectfully submitted,
G. M. Robb, chairman

Roy Blackwood, Jr.)	for
)	Illinois
Philip L. Coon)	Presbytery
John O. Edgar)	for
)	Iowa
J. E. McElroy)	Presbytery

Item No. 2 of Unfinished Business, the report of the Delegate to the N.A.E. Convention was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF SYNOD'S DELEGATE TO THE N.A.E. CONVENTION AT LOS ANGELES

The Annual Convention of the N.A.E. was held in Los Angeles this year, from April 6-10. The Theme for the Convention was "FORWARD TOGETHER"...this theme of course being brought to bear through the various Commissions and

Boards of the organization.

Attending this convention was a most helpful and interesting frustration. On the one hand, the experience of such fellowship pulls one in the direction of appreciation of participating in a group which speaks for a Divine Christ and the Inerrant Word of God, in a secular world, and also in the midst of a "church or religious world", which denies or ignores these bases.

Pulling in the opposite direction however, are the many aspects of the work initiated by motives and performed through actions which are contrary to the perspective of the churches and individuals which are Reformed in character and practice, our denomination in particular. Such areas of course, would be worship, evangelism, church and state, education, etc.

The advantages of attending such a convention are numerous, and I should like to thank the Synod for the opportunity of being delegate last year. The personal encouragement of seeing other Christians "hard at work"; fellowship with consecrated men of scholarship and Christian experience from Evangelical groups; a widening vision of the world as the field, and the areas of work open in which to labor, and the increased appreciation of the value and necessity of the contribution which our denomination has to make to Evangelical Christianity as a whole today, are just a few of the benefits derived.

The morning hours are given to study and presentations by the various Commissions of N.A.E. These Commissions are as follows: Chaplaincy; Church Extension and Home Missions; Education; Evangelical Action; Evangelism and Spiritual Life; Foreign Missions; Laymen; Radio and T.V.; Social Action; Stewardship; Women's Fellowship; World Relief; and Commission for World Evangelical Fellowship.

Each delegate may choose the commission or commissions which he would like to attend.

Afternoons were given to various presentations, business meetings, and general fellowship. Evening programs were open to the public, and included interesting presentations by various commissions of some aspect of their work, concluding with a speaker of some import in Evangelical circles.

I attended various commission meetings, and derived stimulus and help from the Church Extension Commission in particular, as well as the Commission on Education and Youth Work, and Commission on Social Action, and Evangelical Action, attending the presentation on Church and State under the latter.

Featured speakers and personalities included such persons as Dr. Carl F. Henry, Editor of **Christianity Today**; Mr. John Noble, former prisoner of the Communists, and author of the book, **I Was a Slave in Russia**; Mr. Clyde Taylor, and Dr. L. Nelson Bell, the father of Mrs. Billy Graham and editor of "The Layman and His Faith" in **Christianity Today**. Truly these are outstanding men and all had a contribution to make to the overall program.

It is my conviction that we, as a denomination, ought to

participate in the affairs and spirit of True Evangelical Christians through this organization in so far as possible and seek to penetrate the concepts which they hold with those concepts which we believe to be more in harmony with the Scriptures and the will of God, wherever this may be done in a manner becoming to Christian brothers.

I would recommend the following:

1. That since the convention will be held in Chicago next year, Synod appoint a delegate from the general region, and that the delegate's convention expenses be paid from the Miscellaneous Fund.

2. That the Board of Superintendents of the Seminary consider sending the President of the Seminary to this Convention in an official capacity.

Respectfully submitted,
R. Paul Robb

The report of the Committee on Unfinished Business was adopted as a whole.

The Jewish Mission Board made no report.

By special resolution, the booklet prepared by the late J. B. Tweed entitled *The Communicant's Class* was ordered republished under the direction of the Publication Board.

The report of the Committee on Arrangements was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARRANGEMENTS

Your committee on arrangements met several times in the Spring to plan for the 1959 Synod. In view of the plans for the Pastor's Refresher Course we felt that the profit of this should be shared with elders, ministers and visitors not privileged to attend. A time of reflection was planned as the Thursday Night conference. Rev. Calvin Knox Cummings, pastor of the Covenant Orthodox Presbyterian Church, Wilkinsburg, was invited to speak on Friday evening on the subject "Why The Christian School?"

Recreation and a campus picnic were planned for Saturday afternoon... The Foreign Mission Board planned the Sabbath afternoon program, including reports from many missionaries. Rev. Clark Copeland was asked to preach the sermon at the Synod Union Service on Sabbath evening, June 7, 1959.

The committee expresses its appreciation to W. Stewart McCready in supervising arrangements for the board and room for Synod's delegates and guests, and necessary clerical work for the meeting.

The following expense was incurred:

Rev. Calvin Knox Cummings	\$ 35.00
Geneva College: Total Supplies	40.65
Secretarial Help	162.40
Total	<hr/> \$238.05

We recommend that \$10 of that paid Rev. Cummings be taken out of the Traveling Fund to cover his traveling expenses, and that the rest of these expenses, and any other expenses be paid from the offering taken for that purpose, which amounted to \$138.51, and the remainder from the Miscellaneous Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
J. Paul McCracken
William Russell

The report of the Committee on Resolutions of Thanks was read, adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTION OF THANKS

The 1959 Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church gratefully acknowledges God's protection in transit and direction in our daily transactions.

We thank the Geneva College Administration and Staff for their wonderful hospitality and various contributions to this Synod, and the officers of Synod who expedited business of Court.

The flowers given by the Belle Center congregation in honor of Synod's able Moderator, M. K. Carson, were greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,
Robert Fullerton
Don McClurkin
Merlin Wing

The Nominating Committee made a final report which was adopted and is as follows:

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

1. Moderator's alternate to preach the sermon at next Synod—Paul D. McCracken
2. Committee on Arrangements for next Synod—Paul Faris, Willis Edgar, Robert McCrory
3. Committee on Devotional Exercises for next Synod—Reid Stewart, Bruce Stewart, Roy Adams
4. Committee on Signs of the Times—George Coleman, Robert Fullerton, Merlin Wing
5. Committee on Political Dissent—John M. McMillan, J. R. Patterson, Wm. McFarland
6. Committee on Time and Place for the 1961 Synod—Frank Stewart, Paul White, George Price
7. Congregations not having an elder present at Synod to be written to by elders—

Congregation

Beulah
Chicago
Oakdale
Selma
Morning Sun
Sharon

Elder

Hershel Cypher
C. E. Belles
John S. McIsaac
Logan Crowe
Leslie D. Fallon
George McFarland

Hebron
 Hot Springs
 Superior
 Winchester
 Barnet
 Cambridge
 Coldenham
 White Lake
 Hetherton
 Southfield
 Phoenix
 San Diego
 United Philadelphia
 Connellsville
 Eastvale
 Youngstown
 Lochiel
 Old Bethel
 Bethel
 Lake Reno
 Winnipeg
 Cache Creek
 Denver
 Cornwallis
 Jonathan's Creek
 New Concord
 Portland
 Seattle
 Mercer
 Rehoboth
 Lisbon

Andrew D. Robb
 Kenneth Kennedy
 Vance Smith
 R. H. Stohner
 William Ramsey
 Ucal Faris
 B. M. Ferguson
 J. Guy Black
 Merlin Wing
 Ross Latimer
 R. W. Speer
 W. J. Adams
 C. T. Hutcheson
 Elmer S. Graham
 Frank Beard
 Robert McCrory
 W. J. Burns
 Edwin McBurney
 S. J. Robinson
 Joseph Dickey
 Robert Russell
 George L. Henning
 Paul D. Bennett
 R. E. Smith
 J. G. Betts
 W. J. McClay
 Edward Forest
 Walter McElwain
 C. R. Fox
 Charles Marshall
 Russell Lathom

8. Those to whom and by whom letters of remembrance should be written—

To—W. O. Ferguson
 R. S. McElhinney
 M. S. McMillan
 S. E. Boyle
 T. M. Hutcheson
 Gene W. Spear
 Owen F. Thompson
 Philip W. Martin
 David D. Hansen
 Walter J. Magee
 M. W. Martin
 J. D. Edgar
 Samuel Edgar
 J. K. Gault
 Walter McCarroll
 J. G. McElhinney
 E. G. Russell
 Julius Kempf

By—T. C. McKnight
 S. Bruce Willson
 John Coleman
 Lester Kilpatrick
 Thomas Wilson
 Charles Sterrett
 Donald Robb
 J. G. Vos
 George Price
 Luther McFarland
 E. R. Hemphill
 M. W. Dougherty
 D. H. Elliott
 M. K. Carson
 F. F. Reade
 Frank Lathom
 C. T. Carson
 F. E. Allen

R. A. Blair	David M. Carson
Robert Clarke	K. S. Edgar
C. A. Dodds	Frank L. Stewart
E. L. McKnight	J. O. Edgar
Robert Park	D. R. Wilcox
Ibrahim Besna	Donald McClurkin
C. C. Christou	H. A. Hays
Khalil Awad	A. W. Smith
Toshio Masunaga	Paul D. McCracken
J. K. Robb	W. C. McClurkin

9. Vacancies on Boards

Publication Board—A. D. Robb, R. Paul Wright, T. Richard Hutcheson to succeed M. W. Dougherty, R. W. McMillan to fill unexpired term of D. R. Taggart, G. M. Robb to fill unexpired term of R. W. Caskey.

Seminary Board—Roy Blackwood, J. E. Steele, D. R. Wilcox, Harold Harrington

Foreign Mission Board—C. R. Fox, A. J. Harding, William Metcalfe, Mrs. Everett McIlwee, G. W. Price, John M. McMillan

Home Mission Board—K. S. Edgar, F. H. Lathom, Clark C. Pollock, Robert Kepple, T. C. McKnight, Mrs. J. Paul McCracken, Mrs. C. E. Caskey to fill unexpired term of Mrs. J. P. Mitchell

Board of Christian Education (new)

term expires 1960—F. H. Lathom, F. F. Reade, Mrs. A. W.

Smith, M. L. Harrington, Clyde Redpath

term expires 1961—T. R. Hutcheson, Mrs. G. M. Robb, D. R. Wilcox, Wilbur McElroy, Bruce C. Stewart

term expires 1962—D. W. Felker, Miss Mary E. Coleman, Carl Cunningham, Donald Birdsall, Roy Blackwood

Church Erection Board—T. J. Humphreys, Clyde A. Redpath, Frank L. Stewart, Harold Faris

Board of Pensions—Lloyd Edgar, Ralph Wilson

Jewish Mission Board—Walter McClay, Luther McFarland, John Peoples

Board of Corporators of Geneva College—J. B. Willson

Synod's Board of Trustees—J. M. Allen, C. B. Metheny, H. E. McKelvy

10. Vacancies on Committees

Witness Committee—John Coleman, Harold Harrington, T. R. Hutcheson

Temperance Committee—John Edgar, John Coleman

Stewardship Committee—Edward Forest

new committee April 1, 1960—Raymond Hemphill, George Henning, Harold Thompson

Prayer Meeting Committee—M. K. Carson, J. M. Caskey, chairman

Evangelistic Committee—R. J. Huey, Wilmer Piper, Robert McCrory

Committee on Interchurch Correspondence and Study—R. M.

Carson, B. C. Stewart, T. R. Hutcheson
 Oath Committee—C. T. Carson, R. W. Caskey, Roy Adams,
 John Coleman to fill unexpired term of R. H. Martin;
 C. R. McBurney, chairman
 Assistant on Traveling Fund and Absences Committee for
 1960—Paul Mathews

11. Delegates —

Delegate to the N.A.E. Convention—Philip Coon

12. Special Committees —

Committee for Pastors' Refresher Course 1961—C. E. Caskey, Bruce Willson, Armour McFarland, James Carson, John Allen

Officers for the Coordinating Committee—Chairman, D. W. Felker; Secretary, Robert McCracken; Ass't Secretary, R. Paul Mathews

Judicial Commission to deal with Papers No. 8 and 11—E. R. Hemphill, J. O. Edgar, J. P. Wilson, William Ramsey, Harold Harrington

Committee to consider paper No. 4—W. H. Russell, D. M. Carson, C. R. McBurney

Committee to consider item No. 11 of Seminary Board Report—W. G. McMillan, C. R. Fox, J. D. Carson

Committee to study and interpret chapter 2, paragraph 11, of the Form of Church Government in connection with report of Judicial Committee on paper No. 9—D. H. Elliott, J. Paul Wilson, Hershel Cypher

Committee to carry out item No. 2 of report of Elders' Conference—Glenn McFarland, Raymond Joseph, Walter McCarroll

The following were recognized as members of the Court for over 50 years: R. J. G. McKnight for 59 years; D. H. Elliott and H. G. Patterson for 54 years; John Coleman for 51 years. W. J. Adams was recognized as an elder for 54 years having attended six Synods. B. M. Ferguson was recognized as an elder for 53 years having attended 15 Synods.

The report of the Committee on Time and Place was reconsidered. The date for next Synod was changed to June 8, 1960.

Synod went into executive session to hear the report of the Judicial Commission.

Synod adjourned from executive session.

The report of the Judicial Commission was read, accepted and the Commission continued to bring the case to conclusion.

The minutes of the final session were read and approved.

Synod adjourned in prayer by D. H. Elliott. The 133rd Psalm was sung and the moderator pronounced the benediction.

The moderator then declared the Synod to be adjourned to meet at Sterling College, Sterling, Kansas on June 8, 1960, 8:00 P. M. local time.

APPENDIX

MEMOIR OF
REV. WILBUR JOHN MCBURNEY

Wilbur McBurney, son of John R. and Elizabeth K. (Robb) McBurney, was born near Primrose, Pennsylvania, on May 16, 1874. He was baptized the same year at Miller's Run Congregation of the Covenanters Church, and united with this same congregation at the age of sixteen under the pastorate of Rev. S. G. Conner.

He attended the Oak Grove Public School and Ingleside Academy, later entering Geneva College, Beaver Falls, from which he graduated in 1898. In the fall of 1899 he entered the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Allegheny, and was graduated from that institution in the spring of 1902. He was licensed to preach the gospel by Pittsburgh Presbytery on May 14, 1901, and ordained to the gospel ministry by Ohio Presbytery on October 25, 1904 and installed pastor of the Muskingum and Tomica congregation on the same date. After a short pastorate of less than two years he was released, and later became pastor at Fairgrove, Michigan, where he served for three years, 1909-1912. He became pastor of the Evans, Colorado, Congregation on May 8, 1912, serving there until September 4, 1917. In March of 1921 he assumed the pastorate at Orlando, Florida, and labored there until April of 1928. In June of the same year he was installed at Princeton, Indiana, serving there until March 23, 1934.

After four years spent on the old family farm at Primrose he became stated supply at Eskridge, Kansas, for six months, and then moved, with his family, to Almonte, Ontario, Canada, where he served as pastor from May 1939 to May of 1946. Following this pastorate he was again at Eskridge for a little over a year, after which he retired from active service and went to live with his daughter, Mrs. Stewart McCready, at Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania.

During the winter of 1957-1958 he emerged briefly from retirement in order to help Rev. Boyd A. White and his wife in the work at Hot Springs, New Mexico, and then went farther west in the spring to visit with relatives in California. While at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Mary (White) McBurney, he suffered a stroke in June of 1958 and passed away on July 31st, at the age of 84.

Memorial services were held in Los Angeles, California, on August 3rd; in College Hill Church, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, on August 7th; and at Almonte, Ontario, Canada, on August 29th. At the last named place his remains were laid to rest in Ye Auld Kirk Cemetery, beside those of his wife, Minnie Mae (Wylie) McBurney, who passed away on January 7, 1944, during his pastorate at Almonte.

Wilbur McBurney was a man of many parts,- preacher, lectur-

er, musician, teacher, story-teller, handy man about the home and the church. His sermons were not flowery orations but they were, as one critic remarked, "with clarity and conviction." Many will recall his lectures given in behalf of Prohibition at the time that Oklahoma was coming into statehood, and these other lectures (illustrated) on the Kingship of Christ, in which he so ably set forth the royal claims of his Savior and Lord. He was a good singer, could play on several instruments, and handed on his musical talent to his children, one of whom has had a prominent part in setting forth the beauty of the Psalms and in training song leaders for the Church. His stories and illustrations were always to the point and never repetitious. His mechanical ability has left mementoes in most places where he served; certain improvements about manse or church building being due to his ingenuity and industry.

Mr. McBurney is survived by his two children, Caroline (Mrs. Stewart McCready), and Charles Reed McBurney, along with three grandsons and three granddaughters, all of Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania; by a sister, Dr. Jean G. McBurney, of Berkeley, California; and by two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Mary (White) McBurney, of Sierra Madre, California, and Mrs. Sarah Scott) McBurney, of Canonsburg, Pennsylvania.

His best epitaph is in the words of Acts 11:24, concerning Barnabas, "He was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith; and much people was added unto the Lord."

F. F. Reade

MEMOIR OF REV. RENWICK HARPER MARTIN, D.D.

Renwick Harper Martin, a prince among reformers and a great leader in the ranks of those who enlisted in lifetime service for righteousness under the banner of the Captain of our salvation, a man determined and sacrificial in conviction and courageous in the battle for moral reform, was called Home quite suddenly in his eighty-seventh year, his vigor and zeal remaining unabated until within a few hours of his death.

Dr. Martin was born in Guernsey county, Ohio, September 14, 1872, and departed this life in the home of his daughter in Cheswick, Pennsylvania, on October 23, 1958.

As a youth Dr. Martin attended the schools of the community of his birth, then entered Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania, where he was graduated in May, 1895. He took special work in Columbia University and in Biblical Seminary in New York City. In October of 1895 he entered the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in Pittsburgh, completing the course in the spring of 1898. He was ordained and installed pastor of the College Hill congregation on February 1, 1899, where he served for a period of 17 years. He was released from the pastorate in 1916 to become president of Geneva College, holding this position until 1920. He then became Field Secretary of the National Reform Association

in which capacity he labored until 1924 when he served as a Director of the Department of Sabbath Observance of the Board of Christian Education of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. Returning to the National Reform Association in 1928 he served as both President of the Association and Editor of its organ, **The Christian Statesman**, until the time of his retirement in 1955.

Through the years Dr. Martin cooperated with other groups in the cause of temperance and moral reform. Particularly outstanding was his research in the field of liquor advertising in behalf of the National Temperance and Prohibition Council during the years he served as Chairman of its Committee Against Liquor Advertising.

He was much interested in promoting nonsectarian religion and the wider reading of the Bible in the public schools. He was instrumental in securing the passage of a law for required Bible reading in the schools of Kentucky and promoted similar campaigns in Michigan and Arkansas.

Dr. Martin authored many miscellaneous articles, pamphlets and booklets in addition to three books, **The Day**, dealing with the Sabbath, **Our Public Schools—Christian or Secular**, and **The Fourth "R" In American Education**, the latter written after his retirement. His extensive writings and numerous addresses have given creative leadership in the causes he represented throughout the United States and especially in California. Over a period of twenty-five years he prepared a series of Liquor Facts leaflets and folders. Millions of these have been distributed throughout the churches and public schools of our land.

Dr. Martin never knew the meaning of "retirement", having continued his reading, traveling, writing and planning even until his final illness a few days before his death.

Dr. Martin was rugged in body as well as in mind and spirit. He was perhaps one of the best all around athletes ever to attend Geneva College. He was one who threw his entire self into whatever he undertook. He had strong convictions and sometimes he differed with others in the Church in what he believed to be the proper application of Christian truth. He was genuine in his faith, and what he did, he did because he believed it to be right. His life has left an indelible imprint upon all who knew him, upon the Church of which he was a member, and upon the whole cause of National Reform. He lived and died in the conviction that one must not only be a hearer of the Word, but a doer also. He was a man of courageous action. May the memory of his life ever serve to challenge us also to courageous action.

J. R. Patterson

**MEMOIR OF
REV. DAVID RAYMOND TAGGART, D.D.**

A son, David Raymond, was born to John and Martha George Taggart near Hickory, Pennsylvania, May 31, 1880. He was baptized in the Millers Run Reformed Presbyterian Church that same

year. He became a communicant member of the Geneva congregation in 1895 under the pastorate of the Rev. H. G. Foster.

He attended the College Hill public school and the Geneva Preparatory Department and was graduated from Geneva College in 1903. He attended Wisconsin University two years and one term was spent in Michigan University. He was graduated from the Reformed Presbyterian Seminary in 1907.

He was married to Sarah Emma Wilson, August 25, 1910. To this union three daughters were born: Martha, Helen and Esther.

He spent a number of months in our Indian Mission. After serving as a supply in various congregations he heard the call to our China field. He was ordained in Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania that he might answer that call. He served all our stations in China which existed at that time. He labored in this field for six years.

When he returned to America he occupied the Chair of Greek in Muskingum College for one year. He accepted the pastorate of the Topeka, Kansas congregation, February 12, 1918, where he continued to serve until 1938. In 1933 he was elected by Synod as an editor of **The Covenanter Witness**; in 1938 he assumed full responsibility for it. Nine times he was elected for a three year term to this wider ministry of the Church. He was faithfully aided in all these services by his wife and daughters.

The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred on him by Geneva College. His name is listed in *Who's Who of the Western Hemisphere* and in the *Who's Who of the Clergy*. He was a member of the Eugene Field Society of Authors and of the Kansas Authors Club. He was author of the book: **The Faith of Abraham Lincoln**. The Church honored him by calling him to the Moderator's chair at the Synod meeting in 1953.

We do not undertake to erect a huge monument to his memory, for his work continues on. He loved the Church and served with patience and faithfulness. On November 12, 1958 he was transferred into the presence of his Master, the author and finisher of life. Time ceased to be for him, but life continues on. We who remain bow in submission and reverence to an all-wise God.

When Dr. S. Hall Young, of Alaskan missionary fame, was taken suddenly through an accident in ripened years, an unfinished poem which he had written, was found tucked away in an inner pocket. It begins:

Let me die, working.

Still tackling plans unfinished, tasks undone;

Clean to its end, swift may the race be run;

No laggard steps, no faltering, no shirking;

Let me die, working.

This was Dr. Taggart's privilege.

As the Master Hand quietly finishes each volume of His handiwork and gently closes its covers, to Him be the glory forever, Amen.

M. W. Dougherty

**MEMOIR OF
REV. JOHN BURTON THWING, Th.D.**

John Burton Thwing was born January 10, 1897 at Galesburg, Illinois, the son of Dr. Charles Burton and Lucy White Thwing. His father—not a minister—was a profesor in Knox College. He was converted at the Market Square Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia in his early teens. He graduated from Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, Indiana in 1920. At college he met and married Amber F. Vrooman, who is also a graduate of Valparaiso University. He graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary in 1923 with the Th.B. degree, and received his Th.M. degree there in 1927. He was ordained to the ministry in 1923 in the Presbyterian Church, and was installed as pastor of the Clement Presbyterian Church, Chicago, Illinois. He was pastor of the Beacon Presbyterian Church, Philadelphia from 1929 to 1935. In 1931 he completed work at the Eastern Baptist Seminary, Philadelphia, earning the Th.D. degree.

“In the mid 1930’s he and others of the same persuasion moved from the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., and formed the Orthodox Presbyterian Church. The issue was fundamentalism versus modernism. Many of the fundamentalists of the Beacon Church left with their pastor, and formed the Knox Orthodox Presbyterian Church. He served in that pastorate from 1935 to 1939.” He left the Orthodox Presbyterian Church and served pastorates in the United Presbyterian Church in Murrysville, Pa.; in South U.P. Church, Philadelphia; and in Gibson Heights U.P. Church, Youngstown, Ohio, until 1955. In connection with his work at Murrysville he ministered to the Sabbath School not far from our new Manchester church outside of New Kensington. Here was evidence of his willingness to reach out in his service to a considerable distance from his church. He was active in young people’s work throughout, and was engaged in radio work since its early days.

The United Presbyterian Church was moving toward union with the Presbyterians. He resigned his pastorate, and was received into the Pittsburgh Presbytery of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in August 1955. “This change was made about the time of an illness that eventually culminated in his death on April 18, 1959, and he was unable to perform the duties of a pastor again.”

He leaves, beside his wife, at Youngstown, Ohio, two sons, Lt. John B. Thwing, Jr., U.S. Coast Guard, New York; and, James L. Thwing, Conway, Arkansas; two daughters, Mrs. Clyde Dickson, Murrysville, Pa., and Mrs. Robert Morgan, Export, Pa.; and ten grandchildren.

Dr. Thwing was a man of principle and of integrity. “Much of his struggle with the modernist faction within the Presbyterian Church appears only as a place and dates, but it was probably the most difficult time of his ministry.” With part of that controversy which centered around Princeton and Philadelphia and with some

of the leading personalities concerned, some of us were somewhat familiar. Therefore, we came to have the highest regard for Dr. Thwing. He came to us much as James Potter did some years ago. He was not able for and did not expect a place in active service; but he asked for Christian fellowship and for a share in the maintenance of Christian truth; and showed his willingness to help where he could. He loved the house of God and the worship of God. He came at times when not physically able. He spoke appreciatively to the pastor. He called it "our church", his and yours and mine. He wrote well in the Covenanter Witness. His wife writes: "In the last few years of his life, he found understanding and truth within the Covenanter Church, and he valued the friendship of those who stood for these principles." For this we are glad.

J. B. Willson

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO STUDY THE POSSIBILITY OF A NEW EXPLANATORY DECLARATION

Your committee to study the possibility of an explanatory declaration that would not only explain our objection to giving an unqualified oath, but also our objection to taking an oath to a constitution that does not acknowledge the Crown Rights of Jesus Christ, has agreed on the following statement as meeting these conditions:

I cannot conscientiously take the oath to the Constitution of the United States without an explanation because I believe the Bible teaches that all men owe their first allegiance to Jesus Christ and that all nations should acknowledge His authority and law.

I am willing to take the oath with this explanation:

My taking this oath is not to be interpreted as meaning that I approve the failure of this Constitution to acknowledge the authority and law of Jesus Christ, through whom are bestowed the blessings of Almighty God.

It is to be interpreted as meaning that my purpose is to be a true and loyal citizen of this country, and in every way consistent with my maintaining of my first allegiance to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul E. Faris
R. W. Caskey
G. M. Robb
Willis M. Edgar
R. Paul Wright

RECOMMENDATIONS OF SYNOD

Pastor's Refresher Course —

That a Pastor's Refresher Course be held in 1961.

Bible Reading Committee —

1. That each congregation be asked to appoint a sponsor who

will organize and supervise a Bible Reading Club within its membership, including Sabbath School and C.Y.P.U. members.

2. That our people remember our Bible Reading work in their prayers.

Committee on S. S. Materials —

1. That Synod reaffirm its decision of 1958 to prepare and publish S. S. materials to be used in our churches.

2. That the Board of Christian Education present to the Synod of 1960 the course of study to be followed by our S. S. materials.

Witness Committee —

1. That the fourth Sabbath of May, 1960 be named Christian Amendment Sabbath and that pastors be asked to preach on the subject and to distribute Christian Amendment literature to the congregation.

2. That pastors be urged to preach on the subject of political dissent in October, 1959.

Committee on Realignment of Ohio, Philadelphia, New York, and St. Lawrence Presbyteries —

1. That Philadelphia Presbytery be disbanded.

2. That Orlando congregation be placed in the Ohio Presbytery.

3. That the two Philadelphia congregations be placed in New York Presbytery.

4. That the Walton and Barnet congregations be placed in St. Lawrence Presbytery.

Stewardship Committee —

That in line with the recommendation originating the Stewardship Committee, viz. "this committee, among other activities, shall function through a representative of the Financial Board of each congregation" (*Minutes of Synod*, 1941, p. 74) pastors and financial boards make every effort to see that this liason between the congregation and this committee be established and that it function.

Temperance Committee —

1. That our pastors and members testify to the need for the practice of abstinence and sobriety and for the freeing of our communities and our nation from the sin of legalized traffic in narcotics.

2. That our members be encouraged to keep alert to the situation concerning needed legislation and by pursuant letters commend our legislators in taking their proper stand.

Publication Board —

1. That the publication of the *Covenanter Witness* be continued on the co-editorship basis by R. W. Caskey and M. W. Dougherty.

2. That each minister send in at least one article during the coming year, also any laymen who wish to do so, to be placed on file for use in the *Covenanter Witness*.

Oath Committee –

That pastors be informed regarding the oath of allegiance and loyalty affidavits requirement of the National Defense Education Act and be prepared to inform and assist any of their members in the use of the Explanatory Declaration when seeking a student loan from the Federal Government under this act.

Committee on Evangelism –

1. That each Presbytery appoint a committee on Evangelism and that these committees work out programs for evangelistic emphasis for their Presbyteries.

2. That each Presbytery conduct a "Seminar" on Evangelism at the next regular meeting of Presbytery or at a special meeting before next Synod.

3. That each session formulate a plan for systematic evangelistic visitation.

4. That every pastor with his session initiate a regular systematic plan of evangelistic preaching at least once a month.

5. That Bible Mastery Month be observed during February, 1960, using the Book of James.

Young People's Secretary –

1. That Synod combine the work of the Y. P. Secretary with a new department of Christian Education, and that his work be assigned to a Director of Christian Education for the Developing of an overall program of Christian Education as per Synod's Long Range Planning Committee.

2. That pastors and sessions examine their programs in order that they might be using those youth in their congregation desiring to serve and others who might come to the area.

Long Range Planning Committee –

1. That a new department to be called the Department of Christian Education be established combining the work of the following boards and committees: Board of Christian Education, Synod's C.Y.P.U. Secretary, Bible Studies Committee, Bible Reading Committee, Committee on S.S. Materials, Committee on Christian General Education, Committee on V.B.S. Materials.

2. That the Home Mission Board be known as the Board of Home Missions and Church Extension.

3. That the Prayer Meeting Topics Committee be known as the Prayer Meeting Committee.

4. That ministerial members of Synod be limited to three boards or permanent committee appointments per person at one time.

5. That a permanent Coordinating Committee be appointed.

Seminary Board –

1. That Synod authorize the renovation and remodeling of the present Seminary building at a cost not to exceed \$120,000.00

2. That Synod approve a financial campaign of \$200,000.00

Committee to Review Chapter VIII of the Testimony –

That this study be continued for another year and that mem-

bers of the Church be requested to send any suggestions to the committee.

Elders' Conference —

1. That Synod approve the appointment of a committee to produce and publish a book of instructions to be used for the training of members of sessions and other officers of the Church.

2. That Synod urge the sessions to keep in contact with their out-of-bounds members.

3. That, in order to stimulate the attendance of a greater number of elders at Synod, congregations be urged to reimburse the elder delegates for their cost of living expenses at Synod.

National Reform Association —

1. That pastors instruct their congregations in the National Reform cause, the social implications of the Gospel, and the need for honoring Jesus Christ both in our Constitution and in every other area of our national life.

2. That pastors and congregations assist in the endeavor to enlarge the circulation of the **Christian Statesman** by appointing a congregational agent to solicit subscriptions in conjunction with the annual National Reform offering.

3. That all congregations be urged to take an annual offering for the work of the Association, that pastors themselves, if a representative of the Association is not available, bring a special message on some phase of National Reform in connection with the offering, and that the goal of \$10,000 for National Reform be kept before our people.

4. That the Church be encouraged to remember regularly in prayer the work and workers of the Association.

Time and Place Committee—

That we accept Sterling's invitation and that Synod adjourn to meet Wednesday June 8, 1960 at Sterling College.

Traveling Fund Committee—

That the Traveling Fund assessment continue to be \$1.25 per communicant member for the year 1960.

Foreign Mission Board—

1. That Synod authorize an appeal for a woman for missionary work in Japan.

2. That Synod authorize an appeal for a woman for missionary work in Cyprus.

3. That Synod renew the authorization for an appeal for workers for a new field and that the Foreign Board be authorized to investigate other new fields.

Coordinating Committee—

That the budget for 1960 be set at \$120,435.00.

Bible Studies Committee—

1. That pastors be encouraged to use Synod's Bible Studies,

and to encourage their people to use them.

2. That suggestions and criticisms about questions or Bible references as well as orders for studies be sent to the chairman, Armour McFarland.

ROSTER OF FOREIGN MISSIONARIES

Missionaries in Cyprus:

The American Academy, Larnaca

Mr. Thomas M. Edgar
Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Hutcheson
Dr. and Mrs. W. W. Weir

The American Academy For Girls, Nicosia, Cyprus

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Hutcheson
Miss Blanche McCrea
Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Sanderson

Missionaries in Japan. Box 589, Kobe, Japan

Rev. and Mrs. S. E. Boyle
Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Spear
Miss Eleanor Faris
Miss Rose Huston

Missionaries on Furlough

Miss Ruth Reade, Almonte, Canada
Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Copeland, 112 W. Adams, Sterling, Ks.
Miss Orlena Lynn, 649 Taft St., Gary, Ind.

Missionaries in Training

Rev. and Mrs. Donald I. Robb

Missionaries on Retirement

Miss Mary Adams, c/o Warnock Patton, Sterling, Kan.
Miss Jennie M. Dean, 30 Calle Capistrano,
Santa Barbara, Cal.
Rev. and Mrs. Julius A. Kempf, Christ's Home,
Warminster, Bucks County, Pa.
Miss Ella M. Stewart, R. P. Home, 2344 Perrysville Ave.,
Pittsburgh 14, Pa.

Missionaries on Leave of Absence

Miss Elizabeth McElroy, (Hot Springs), T. or C., New Mex.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hayenga, Cache Creek Mission
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Mrs. R. C. Adams, Wrigley, Kentucky
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Rev. Charles H. Chao, 1201 West 30th St.,
Los Angeles 7, Cal.

FORM OF BEQUEST

I do bequeath to the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America dollars to be credited to the current account* of the following funds:

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I do give and bequeath to the Trustees of the Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church of North America, its successors and assigns forever, all that certain piece of land situated in . . . the proceeds from the same to be devoted to the current account of the following funds:

*If one wishes, he may insert the word "Endowment" or still better, "Funds functioning as Endowment", in place of "Current Accounts." There are usually special needs in current account. Or, after stating the sum of money or describing the real estate, he may leave out any mention of particular funds and say, "To be distributed according to the judgment of Synod", which would allow assignment to the needs at the time the bequest is received. That would be the best of all. In case of large gifts, they may be paid in installments.

Special Note: A will should be witnessed by at least three persons, all of whom see the signing of the one making the will and by each other. In case of doubt, secure legal advice.

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Members	Terms Expire
R. K. McConaughy, J. H. Senior, R. H. Stohner	1960
L. C. Bish, C. R. Fox, J. A. Martin, M.D.	1961
J. M. Allen, C. B. Metheny, LLD., H. E. McKelvy	1962
Sec'y-Treas., C. R. Fox, Empire Bldg., Pittsburgh 22, Pa.	
Stated Meetings, Treasurer's Office, Second Tuesday of February, August, November	

Board of Foreign Missions

Members	Terms Expire
Niclaus Hagmann, George Hawthorne, Rev. R. A. Henning, Rev. Robert McCracken, Rev. Luther McFarland, Rev. W. C. McClurkin, D.D., Rev. J. Paul Wilson, Mrs. Richard Weir	1960
Edwin H. McBurney, Rev. P. D. McCracken, D.D., Mrs. Thomas Park, Rev. Charles S. Sterrett, Rev. Thomas J. Wilson	1961
C. R. Fox, A. J. Harding, Mrs. Everett McIlwee, Rev. John M. McMillan, William Metcalfe, Rev. G. W. Price	1962
Corresponding Secretary, Rev. C. S. Sterrett, 16 Hy Vue Drive, Newburgh, N. Y.	

Board of Home Missions

Members	Terms Expire
J. M. Allen, Mrs. J. L. Coon, Rev. D. Howard Elliott, D.D., Rev. Robert R. Fullerton, Rev. H. A. Hays, D.D., Carl D. Murphy	1960
Rev. James D. Carson, Mrs. C. E. Caskey, Rev. D. H. Elliott, D.D., C. R. Fox, C. M. Lee, Ph.D., Rev. J. B. Willson, D.D.	1962

Rev. K. S. Edgar, D.D., Robert Kepple, Rev. F. H. Lathom, D.D., Mrs. J. P. McCracken, Rev. T. C. McKnight, D.D., Clark C. Pollock1962.
 Secretary, Rev. K. S. Edgar, D.D.,
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 Stated Meetings: Second Monday of September, November, January, March, May.

Jewish Mission Board

Members	Terms Expire
Mrs. S. E. Greer, Theodore May, Rev. G. W. Price	1960
Sarah C. Archer, John Crawford	1961
Walter McClay, Rev. Luther McFarland, John Peoples, M.D.	1962

Board of Pensions

Members	Terms Expire
M. W. Baird, David Cummings	1960
Rev. J. E. McElroy, Robert Baird	1961
Rev. J. O. Edgar, Merritt McElhinney	1962
L. M. Edgar, J. Ralph Wilson	1963

Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. K. S. Edgar, D.D., R. K. McConaughy Rev. P. D. McCracken, D.D., Rev. W. G. McMillan ...	1960
Rev. C. C. Brown, D.D., Edwin C. Clarke, Ph.D., Rev. Robert Park, D.D., Rev. J. R. Patterson, D.D.	1961
Rev. Roy Blackwood, Rev. Harold Harrington, J. E. Steele, Rev. D. R. Wilcox, D.D.	1962

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Members chosen by Synod	Terms Expire
Rev. Harold Thompson	1960
John M. Allen	1961
Rev. J. B. Willson, D.D.	1962

Members chosen by Corporators	
E. D. Balph, Rev. John H. Tweed, Rev. P. D. McCracken, D.D., John Kerr	1960
Rev. C. E. Caskey, D.D., Rev. K. S. Edgar, D.D., Rev. D. Howard Elliott, D.D., Rev. H. A. Hays, D.D.	1961
Rev. J. D. Carson, George D. Hill, John Mitchell, Rev. K. G. Smith	1962

Members chosen by Presbyteries	
Rev. Harold Harrington, Pittsburgh; Ross Latimer, Midwest, Rev. R. Paul Robb, Pacific Coast; Rev. T. J. Wilson, New York	1960
Rev. John Coleman, Ph.D., D.D., Philadelphia; Rev. E. R. Hemphill, Ohio; Rev. Robert B. McCracken, St. Lawrence	1961
Rev. John O. Edgar, D.D., Iowa; Rev. Claude C. Brown, D.D., Illinois	1962

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W. J. C. George, Rev. J. Paul McCracken, William Metcalfe, R. K. McConaughy, Mrs. Robert Park, Rev. J. B. Willson, D.D., R. M. Young, LL.D.	1960
J. L. Coon, DDS., Rev. K. S. Edgar, D.D., Miss Ethel Lytle, Raymond Park, J. Merrill Robb, Rev. S. B. Willson, D.D., R. Paul Wright, M.D.	1961
Rev. D. Howard Elliott, D.D., Rev. Robert R. Fullerton, Mrs. Willard Henphill, Kenneth Kennedy, Walter F. Mandeville, C. B. Metheny, LL.D., Rev. J. R. Patterson, D.D.	1962

Members Representing the Alumni Association	
Walter Landgraf	1960
Mrs. Dorothy Hoenstine, Sidney L. Lockley	1961
Frederick Bright, Atty. John N. Sawyer	1962

Members Representing the Business Men of Beaver Valley	
J. Douglas Brooks	1960
W. Scott Bliss, William Howell	1961
D. W. Kelso, Atty. Ralph E. Smith	1962
Secretary, Miss Ethel M. Lytle, 821 - 12th St. Beaver Falls, Pa.	

Board of Church Erection

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. R. W. Caskey, R. W. Spear, Scott Milroy	1960
Mark Dill, Rev. G. M. Robb, D.D.	1961
Harold H. Faris, T. J. Humphreys, Clyde A. Redpath, Rev. Frank L. Stewart, D.D.	1962
Secretary, Clyde A. Redpath, 6901 West 78th St., Overland Park, Kansas	

Board of Christian Education

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. Milton L. Harrington, Rev. F. H. Lathom, D.D., Rev. F. F. Reade, D.D., Clyde A. Redpath, Mrs. A. W. Smith	1960
Rev. T. R. Hutcheson, Wilbur McElroy, Mrs. G. M. Robb, Rev. Bruce C. Stewart, Rev. D. R. Wilcox, D.D.	1961
Donald Birdsall, Rev. Roy Blackwood, Miss Mary E. Coleman, Ph.D., Carl Cunningham, Rev. D. W. Felker	1962

Board of Publication

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. J. M. Caskey, Rev. Paul E. Faris, Rev. R. W. McMillan, Rev. J. G. Vos, D.D.	1960
Rev. C. T. Carson, D.D., Ross Latimer, Rev. G. M. Robb, D.D.	1961
Rev. T. R. Hutcheson, Andrew D. Robb, R. Paul Wright, M.D.	1962

PERMANENT COMMITTEES**Bible Reading – Expires 1960**

W. J. Burns, Rev. R. H. McKelvy, Rev. F. F. Reade, D.D.
 Chairman, Rev. F. F. Reade, D.D., Box 102,
 Almonte, Ontario, Canada

Interchurch Correspondence and Study

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. John M. McMillan	1960
Rev. C. E. Caskey, D.D.	1961
R. M. Carson, Rev. T. R. Hutcheson, Rev. B. C. Stewart	1962

Christian General Education – Expires 1960

Rev. D. R. Wilcox, D.D., Rev. Norman M. Carson

Evangelism

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. M. W. Dougherty, Charles R. McBurney, Rev. R. Paul Robb	1960
Rev. Paul E. Faris, Rev. Donald C. McClurkin, Rev. Frank L. Stewart, D.D.	1961
R. J. Huey, Robert McCrory, Wilmer Piper	1962

Oath

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. John Coleman, Ph.D., D.D., Rev. W. G. McMillan, William H. Russell, Ph.D.	1960
Rev. David M. Carson, Charles R. McBurney, Rev. J. R. Patterson, D.D.	1961
Roy Adams, Ph.D., Rev. C. T. Carson, D.D., Rev. R. W. Caskey	1962
Chairman, C. R. McBurney, 1405 West Ninth St., Beaver Falls, Pa.	

Prayer Meeting

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. John Coleman, Ph.D., D.D.	1960
Rev. Joseph M. Caskey	1961
Rev. M. K. Carson, D.D.	1962
Chairman, Rev. J. M. Caskey, Stafford, Kansas	

Stewardship

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. D. W. Felker, Edward Forest, Rev. M. W. Martin	March 31, 1960
Chairman, Rev. D. W. Felker, 706 Hillcrest Ave., Orlando, Florida	

New Committee to take office April 1, 1960

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. E. Raymond Hemphill, George Henning, Rev. H. F. Thompson	March 31, 1961
Chester R. Fox	(as long as Church Treasurer)

Temperance

Members	Terms Expire
Rev. A. W. Smith, D.D., R. Paul Wright, M.D.	1960
Rev. J. E. McElroy, Mrs. R. H. McKelvy, Rev. R. W. McMillan	1961
Rev. John Coleman, Ph.D., D.D., Rev. J. O. Edgar, D.D.	1962
Chairman, Rev. A. W. Smith, D.D., Oakdale, Ill.	

Sponsorship of Refugees

Members
Rev. L. E. Kilpatrick, Rev. J. G. Vos, D.D. Rev. S. B. Willson, D.D. Chairman, Rev. J. G. Vos, D.D., 3408 - 7th Avenue Beaver Falls, Pa.

Witness

Members	Terms Expire
Roy M. Adams, Ph.D., Rev. D. Howard Elliott, D.D., Chester R. Fox, George D. Hill, Rev. J. R. Patterson, D.D.	1960
Rev. David M. Carson, Rev. Philip L. Coon, Rev. R. C. Fullerton, D.D., Rev. T. C. McKnight, D.D., Rev. J. B. Willson, D.D.	1961
Rev. John Coleman, Ph.D., D.D., Rev. Harold B. Harrington, Rev. T. R. Hutcheson	1962
Chairman, Rev. H. B. Harrington, 605 Oak St. New Castle, Pa.	

PRESBYTERIES**ROSTER OF ILLINOIS PRESBYTERY**

Moderator	Rev. Roy Blackwood, Jr.
Clerk	Rev. Philip L. Coon
Asst. Clerk	E. S. Hunter
Treasurer	Rev. A. W. Smith
Young People's Secretary	Rev. Roy Blackwood, Jr.

Bethel - 401 N. Vine Street, Sparta, Illinois

Correspondent: Edyth Allan	Phone: Sparta 297-W., 605 N. Market Street, Sparta, Illinois
Clerk of Session: Willard G. Thompson,	Oakdale, Illinois
Treasurer: Lee Allan,	605 N. Market Street, Sparta, Illinois

Bloomington - First and Lincoln Streets, Bloomington, Indiana

Pastor: Rev. Roy Blackwood, Jr.	Installed 1954. Phone: 2-2388. 321 E. First Street, Bloomington, Indiana
Clerk of Session: John W. Kennedy,	R.D. 10, Bloomington, Ind.
Treasurer: Paul G. Kennedy,	Smithville Rd., Bloomington, Ind.

Chicago - 1114 West 81st Street, Chicago 20, Illinois

Pastor: Rev. Philip L. Coon.	Installed 1956. 1114 W. 81st St., Chicago 20, Illinois. Phone: Vincennes 6-2696
Clerk of Session: Orville Baird,	22 N. Glenwood, Griffith, Ind.
Treasurer: Mrs. Mildred Halliday,	8846 Ryan Road, Oak Lawn, Illinois

Oakdale – Oakdale, Illinois

Pastor: Rev. A. W. Smith, D.D. Installed 1956.

Oakdale, Illinois. Phone: DAVIS 9-2190

Clerk of Session: W. G. Thompson, Oakdale, Illinois

Treasurer: W. K. Auld, Oakdale, Illinois

Old Bethel – Sparta, Illinois (R. D. 3)

Correspondent: Ralph M. Mathews, Baldwin, Illinois. Phone: STory 5-2472

Clerk of Session: Ralph M. Mathews, Baldwin, Illinois

Treasurer: Willard L. Finley, R. D. 3, Sparta, Illinois

Selma – 625 Jeff Davis Avenue, Selma, Alabama

Pastor: Rev. Claude C. Brown, D.D. Installed 1942. Phone:

TRinity 4-5692. 625 Jeff Davis Avenue, Selma, Alabama

Clerk of Session: Joseph Yelder, 1513 Lawrence Street, Selma, Alabama

Treasurer: James Evans, 325 Jeff Davis, Selma, Alabama

Ministers without Pastorates

Rev. W. O. Ferguson, D.D., Oakdale, Illinois

Rev. R. S. McElhinney, R. D. 3, Bloomington, Indiana

Rev. M. S. McMillan, D.D., 411 N. Vine St., Sparta, Illinois

ROSTER OF IOWA PRESBYTERY

Moderator Rev. John O. Edgar, D.D.

Clerk Rev. J. E. McElroy

Hopkinton – Hopkinton, Iowa

Pastor: Rev. R. Paul Mathews. Installed 1958. Hopkinton, Iowa. Phone: 2514

Clerk of Session: R. P. Joseph, Hopkinton, Iowa

Co-Treasurers: Wilfred Kenny, Hopkinton, Iowa

T. Lyle Joseph, Hopkinton, Iowa

Lake Reno – Glenwood, Minnesota (rural)

Correspondent: Charles Peterman, Rt. 1, Glenwood, Minn. Phone: 14 F 120

Clerk of Session: Charles Peterman

Treasurer: Mrs. Charles Peterman, Rt. 1, Glenwood, Minn.

Morning Sun – Morning Sun, Iowa

Clerk of Session: J. Ralph Wilson, Morning Sun, Iowa Phone: 1480

Treasurer: E. H. Hensleigh, Morning Sun, Iowa

Sharon – Morning Sun, Iowa (rural)

Pastor: Rev. John O. Edgar, D.D., Morning Sun, Iowa. Installed 1951. Phone: 411

Clerk of Session: T. E. Cummings, Morning Sun, Iowa

Treasurer: J. C. McClurkin, Morning Sun, Iowa

Winnipeg – (Mission Station) Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Correspondent: James Anderson, 549 Roseberry St., Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Clerk of Session: James Anderson, 549 Roseberry St., Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Treasurer: Thomas Dickey, 665 Valour Road, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada

Ministers without Pastorates

Rev. H. G. Patterson, D.D., Morning Sun, Iowa
Phone: 97 Black

ROSTER OF MIDWEST PRESBYTERY

Moderator Rev. Paul D. White
Clerk Rev. Milton L. Harrington
Assistant Clerk A. D. Robb
Treasurer Rev. R. W. Caskey

Young People's Secretaries

Covenant Heights Conference Rev. Bruce Stewart
Forest Park Conference Rev. Paul E. Faris

Beulah - Bostwick, Nebraska

Stated Supply: Rev. T. R. Hutcheson, Superior, Nebraska
Clerk of Session: Lloyd L. Dillon, Bostwick, Nebraska
Treasurer: J. D. Norwood, 516 Colorado, Superior, Nebraska

Cache Creek - Apache, Oklahoma

Stated Supply: Lic. Jerry Hayenga, Apache, Oklahoma
Phone: Apache Mission 4
Clerk of Session: G. E. Vail, Apache, Oklahoma

Clarinda - Route 3, Clarinda, Iowa

Pastor: Rev. C. T. Carson, D.D., Route 3, Clarinda, Iowa
Installed 1949. Phone: L12-420
Clerk of Session: J. Guy Black, Route 3, Clarinda, Iowa
Treasurer: Knox B. McCalla, Route 3, Clarinda, Iowa

Denison - Denison, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. M. W. Dougherty, Denison, Kansas
Installed 1951. Phone: 35
Clerk of Session: Henry Faris, Mayetta, Kansas
Treasurer: Harold McCrory, Holton, Kansas

Denver - 501 S. Pearl St., Denver, Colorado

Pastor: Rev. J. E. McElroy, 330 S. Corona St., Denver 9, Colo.
Clerk of Session: David M. McFarland, 516 E. Bayaud Ave.,
Denver 9, Colorado
Treasurer: Alex G. Carson, 930 Downing St., Denver, Colo.

Eskridge - Eskridge, Kansas

Correspondent: James W. McKnight, Route 2, Eskridge, Kan.
Phone: 7021
Clerk of Session: James W. McKnight, R. 2, Eskridge, Kan.
Treasurer: Waldo Stevenson, Route 1, Eskridge, Kansas

Greeley - 10th Ave. and 15th St., Greeley, Colorado

Pastor: Rev. Bruce C. Stewart, 1505 Tenth Ave., Greeley,
Colorado. Installed 1954. Phone 3741
Clerk of Session: Edwin R. Keys, Route 4, Box 171, Greeley,
Colorado.
Treasurer: Neeland B. Siebring, Route 1, Box 70, Kersey,
Colorado

Hebron – Idana, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. Milton L. Harrington, Idana, Kansas

Installed 1955. Phone: Clay Center 63J4

Clerk of Session: Byron McMahan, Route 1, Clay Center, Kan.

Treasurer: Wilson McMahan, 524 Frederick St.,

Clay Center, Kansas

Hot Springs – 316 Myrtle Ave., Hot Springs, T or C, New Mexico

Stated Supply: Rev. Boyd A. White, P. O. Box 567,

116 Mims St., Hot Springs, T or C, New Mexico

Clerk of Session: A. H. Cunningham, 318 Myrtle Ave.,

Hot Springs, T or C, New Mexico

Treasurer: Mrs. A. H. Cunningham, 318 Myrtle Ave.,

Hot Springs, T or C, New Mexico

Kansas City – 4400 Wyoming St., Kansas City, Missouri

Phone: LOGan 1-9483

Pastor: Rev. G. M. Robb, D.D. 4418 W. 55th St.,

Kansas City 3, Kansas. Installed 1955

Phone: SKYline 1-0349

Clerk of Session: R. Paul Wright, M.D., 4209 Belinder Ave.,
Kansas City 3, Kansas

Treasurer: Benton S. Buffet, 239 E. 74th St.,

Kansas City 14, Kansas

Olathe – 500 E. Loula St., Olathe, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. Frank L. Stewart, D.D., 443 E. Loula St.,

Olathe, Kansas. Installed 1948. Phone: PO 4-4578

Clerk of Session: J. Harvey McGee, R.F.D. 2, Olathe, Kansas

Treasurer: W. Edgar Moore, 517 E. Loula St., Olathe, Kansas

Quinter – West 8th and Gove St., Quinter, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. Paul D. White, Quinter, Kansas. Installed 1958

Clerk of Session: Elmer S. Graham, Quinter, Kansas

Phone: 239

Treasurer: Austin Mann, Quinter, Kansas

Stafford – 113 N. Green Ave., Stafford, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. Joseph M. Caskey, 105 N. Green Ave.,

Stafford, Kansas. Installed 1956. Phone: 609

Clerk of Session: Frank M. Beard, 316 E. Stafford St.,

Stafford, Kansas

Treasurer: Gladys Beard, 316 E. Stafford St.,

Stafford, Kansas

Sterling – Washington and 7th Ave., Sterling, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. Paul E. Faris, 510 N. Broadway, Sterling, Kan.

Installed 1957. Phone: 288

Clerk of Session: Willis M. Edgar, 223 N. 6th, Sterling, Kan.

Treasurer: E. Dean Fountain, Sterling, Kansas

Superior – 5th and Bloom St., Superior, Nebraska

Pastor: Rev. T. R. Hutcheson, Superior, Nebraska

Installed 1959

Clerk of Session: C. Kenneth Hurd, 905 E. Third St.,

Superior, Nebraska

Treasurer: Floyd Dixon, 960 Washington St., Superior, Neb.

Topeka – 2121 Fairlawn, Topeka, Kansas

Phone: CRestwood 2-1940

Pastor: Rev. Donald R. McClurkin, 428 Taylor Ave., Topeka, Kansas. Installed 1955. Phone: 4-4801

Clerk of Session: W. A. McElroy, 1902 Wanamaker Road, Topeka, Kansas

Treasurer: Don Fee, 1030 Meadow Lane, Topeka, Kansas

Winchester – Winchester, Kansas

Pastor: Rev. R. W. Caskey, Winchester, Kansas. Installed 1948. Phone: PRespect 4-2870

Clerk of Session: Scott Milroy, Winchester, Kansas

Treasurer: Ross B. Keys, Valley Falls, Kansas

Ministers without PastoratesRev. S. E. Boyle, P. O. Box 589, Central P. O., Kobe, Japan
Rev. Thomas M. Hutcheson, American Academy, Lamaca, CyprusRev. A. J. McFarland, D.D., 126 N. 8th St., Sterling, Kansas.
Phone: 252-R

Rev. J. C. Mitchell, D.D., Winchester, Kansas

Rev. Gene W. Spear, P.O. Box 589, Central P.O. Kobe, Japan

Rev. Frank E. Allen, D.D., Winchester, Kansas

Rev. Owen F. Thompson, D.D., 1301 16th Ave., Greeley, Colorado. Phone: 1319-W

Rev. J. G. Vos, D.D., 3408 7th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.
Phone: Tilden 6-6410

Rev. Philip W. Martin, 221 N. Milton Ave., Whittier, Calif.

Rev. David D. Hansen, 1229 Quincy, Topeka, Kansas

Rev. D. C. Ward, 1415 W. 9th St., Beaver Falls, Pa.

ROSTER OF NEW YORK PRESBYTERY

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Treasurer Rev. Luther McFarland

Young People's Secretary Rev. Donald I. Robb

Ad Interim Commission...Rev. Walter C. McClurkin, D.D.

Cambridge – 53 Antrim Street, Cambridge, Mass.

Pastor: Rev. Donald I. Robb, 31 Amherst Street, Arlington, Mass. Installed 1954. Phone: Mission 3-2374

Clerk of Session: W. S. Ramsey, 85 Parker Road, Needham, Mass.

Treasurer: R. L. Faris, 131 Elm Street, Somerville, Mass.

Coldenham – Coldenham Road, Rt. 1, Walden, New YorkPastor: Rev. John M. McMillan, Rt. 1, Box 337, Walden, N. Y.
Phone: Newburgh 1J1. Installed 1958

Clerk of Session: Alex M. Weddell, R.F.D., Rock Tavern, N.Y.

Treasurer: Robert J. Robinson, Wallkill, N. Y.

Cornwallis –

Correspondent: Miss Caroline B. Hird, Berwick, Kings County, Nova Scotia

Clerk of Session: Andrew S. Morton, Somerset, Kings County,
Nova Scotia

Treasurer: Miss Caroline B. Hird, Berwick, Kings County,

Montclair – 72 Gates Avenue, Montclair, New Jersey

Pastor: Rev. Luther McFarland, 72 Gates Avenue, Montclair,
New Jersey. Installed 1951. Phone: Pilgrim 6-0371

Clerk of Session: Edwin H. McBurney, 44 South Cole Avenue,
Spring Valley, New York

Treasurer: Mrs. Edward Donaldson, 147 Beechwood Drive,
Wayne, New Jersey

Newburgh – 104 Grand Street, Newburgh, New York

Pastor: Rev. Charles S. Sterrett, 16 Hy Vue Drive, M.D. 25,
Newburgh, N. Y. Installed 1949. Phone: Newburgh 2-2540

Clerk of Session: John White, 206 Fullerton Ave., Newburgh,
New York

Treasurer: Edgar J. Lynn, 93 City Terrace, Newburgh, N. Y.

New York – 1932 Walton Avenue, Bronx 53, N. Y.

Pastor: Rev. Robert A. Henning, 1955 Andrews Ave., New
York 53, N. Y. Installed 1954. Phone: Cypress 4-1422

Clerk of Session: Richard B. Weir, 80 Parkway Road, Bronx-
ville 8, New York

Treasurer: George D. Hawthorne, Hudson View Gardens,
183rd St. & Pinehurst Avenue, New York 33, N. Y.

Third Philadelphia – Franklin & Dauphin Sts., Philadelphia, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. George W. Price, 3012 Robbins St., Phila., Pa.
Installed 1954. Phone: Pioneer 3-4237

Clerk of Session: A. M. Adams, 318 Sharon Ave., Sharon
Hill, Pa.

Treasurer: W. J. McClay, 3444 Aldine St., Phila, Pa.

United Philadelphia – Lawrence Road, Broomall, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. P. D. McCracken, D.D., 36 W. Hillcrest Avenue,
Havertown, Pa. Installed 1954. Phone: Hilltop 7-1069

Clerk of Session: James Carson, 1248 S. St. Bernard St.
Phila. 43, Pa.

Treasurer: Sarah C. Archer, 103 Fennerton Road, Paoli, Pa.

White Lake – White Lake, New York

Pastor: Rev. Thomas J. Wilson, Box 171, Bethel, New York.
Installed 1952. Phone: White Lake 129 W

Clerk of Session: Daniel Bosch, R. D. 1, Swan Lake, N. Y.

Treasurer: Victor J. Lynn, White Lake, N. Y.

Ministers without Pastorates

Rev. John Coleman, Ph.D., D.D., 733 Lindale Ave., Drexel
Hill, Pa.

Rev. J. A. Hill, 3836 Lee St., Hudsonville, Michigan

Rev. Julius Kempf, D.D., Christ's Home, Warminster, Pa.

Rev. Walter H. Magee, Box 328, Goshen, New York

Rev. Walter C. McClurkin, D.D., Wallkill, N. Y.

ROSTER OF OHIO PRESBYTERY

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 Assistant Clerk J. Roy Templeton
 Treasurer Rev. E. Raymond Hemphill
 Young People's Secretary Rev. E. Raymond Hemphill
 Ad Interim Commission Rev. Harold F. Thompson

Belle Center

Pastor: Rev. Melville K. Carson, D.D., Belle Center, Ohio
 Installed 1951. Phone: 84-2783
 Clerk of Session: J. Roy Templeton, R.D.2, Belle Center, Ohio
 Treasurer: Howard Keys, R.D.2, Belle Center, Ohio

Hetherton

Pastor: Rev. E. Raymond Hemphill, Johannesburg, Michigan
 Installed 1955. Phone: Lewiston, State 6-2659
 Clerk of Session: K. S. McKelvy, Johannesburg, Michigan
 Treasurer: Edward L. Roby, Johannesburg, Michigan

Jonathan's Creek

Correspondent: Jay George, R.D.2, Zanesville, Ohio
 Clerk of Session: Jay George, R.D.2, Zanesville, Ohio
 Treasurer: Foster George, R.D.2, Zanesville, Ohio

New Concord

Correspondent and
 Clerk of Session: S. W. Morrison, R.D.1, New Concord, Ohio

Orlando - 350 N. Broadway, cor. of Livingston, Orlando, Florida

Pastor: Rev. Donald W. Felker, 706 Hillcrest Ave., Orlando, Florida, Installed 1956. Phone: Orlando GA. 4-9727
 Clerk of Session: Earnest Dill, R.D.1, Box 190, Winter Garden, Florida
 Treasurer: J. D. Huston, 516 N. Shine St., Orlando, Florida

Southfield - Evergreen Road near Eleven Mile Road 3 miles Northwest of Detroit city limits

Pastor: Rev. Harold F. Thompson, 26580 Evergreen Road, Southfield, Michigan. Installed 1948. Phone: ELgin 6-4410
 Clerk of Session: W. M. McDonald, 23685 Beech Road, Detroit 41, Michigan
 Treasurer: Wilbur McDonald, 23400 Simmons St., Birmingham, Michigan

Ministers without Pastorates

Rev. J. K. Robb, D.D., 1612 S. St., St. Joseph, Michigan

ROSTER OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY

Moderator Rev. M. W. Martin
 Clerk Rev. R. Paul Robb
 Treasurer J. G. Betts
 Young People's Secretary Rev. R. Paul Robb

Fresno - Corner of N. Barton and Harvey Avenues

Pastor: Rev. John H. Tweed, 775 N. Barton, Fresno 2, Calif.
 Installed 1959
 Clerk of Session: Willard Buck, 4145 E. Illinois, Fresno 2, Cal.
 Treasurer: H. M. Copeland, 4622 E. Washington, Fresno 2, Cal.

- Los Angeles** – 3557 Fletcher Drive, Los Angeles 65, Calif.
Pastor: Rev. R. Paul Robb, 5081 Montezuma St., Los Angeles 42, Calif. Installed 1955. Phone: CL 5-6292
Clerk of Session: Samuel R. Marshall, 3876 Victoria, Los Angeles I, Calif.
Treasurer: J. T. Kerr, 419 W. Lexington Dr., Glendale 3, Calif.
- Phoenix** – 1117 E. Devonshire, Phoenix, Arizona
Pastor: Rev. Lester E. Kilpatrick, 1031 E. Glenrosa, Phoenix, Arizona. Installed 1956. Phone: CR 4-7149
Clerk of Session: Arnold Wolfe, 2214 E. Cambridge Avenue, Phoenix, Arizona
Treasurer: Harry McElwain, 2208 E. Sells Drive, Phoenix, Arizona
- Portland** – 5935 N. Minnesota Avenue, Portland 11, Oregon
Correspondent: Mrs. James Huston, 3114 N.E. 61st Avenue, Portland 12, Oregon. Phone: AT 7-7569
Clerk of Session: William L. Frazer, 6308 N.E. 88th Street, Vancouver, Washington
Treasurer: Miss Elizabeth Knight, 1815 N. Jessup Street, Portland 11, Oregon
- San Diego** – 3495 College Avenue, San Diego 15, Calif.
Pastor: Rev. Raymond P. Joseph, 3832 Loma Alta Drive, San Diego 15, Calif. Installed 1956. Phone: JU 2-6622
Clerk of Session: Marshall Smith, 3835 College Avenue, San Diego 15, Calif.
- Santa Ana** – Corner of Myrtle and Hickory Streets
Pastor: Rev. Glenn E. McFarland, 522 E. Chestnut Street, Santa Ana, Calif. Installed 1955. Phone: KI 7-1970
Clerk of Session: J. G. Betts, 2202 North Towner Street, Santa Ana, Calif.
Treasurer: Mrs. Myrtle Connery, 1141 Highland Avenue, Santa Ana, Calif.
- Seattle** – E. 68th and 20th Avenue, N.E. Seattle 15, Washington
Pastor: Rev. M. W. Martin, 6547 20th Avenue N.E., Seattle 15, Washington. Installed 1952. Phone: LA 2-3187
Clerk of Session: Joseph Lamont, Jr., 4233 E. 75th Street, Seattle 15, Washington
Treasurer: David Barclay, 1912 E. 68th St., Seattle 15, Wash.

Ministers without Pastorates

- Rev. Charles Chao, 1201 W. 30th Street, Los Angeles, Calif.
Rev. J. D. Edgar, D.D.,
10140 Crestview Heights, La Mesa, Calif.
Rev. Sam Edgar, D. D., 523 E. Pine St., Santa Ana, Calif.
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ROSTER OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

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 Assistant Clerk Rev. Armour McFarland
 Treasurer Chester R. Fox
 Home Mission Secretary Rev. Kermit S. Edgar, D.D.
 Young People's Secretary Rev. J. Paul McCracken

Allegheny – Perrysville Ave. at McIntyre Ave., N. S. Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Pastor: Rev. Kermit S. Edgar, D.D., 308 Dunlap St., Pittsburgh 14, Pa. Installed 1955. Phone: FAirfax 1-8207

Clerk of Session: John M. Allen, 1 Allemac Place, Pittsburgh 29, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Chester R. Fox, 200 Langley Ave., Pittsburgh 14, Pennsylvania

Bear Run—Mahoning – Rochester Mills, Pennsylvania

Correspondent: Clark C. Pollock, R. D. 2, Marion Center, Pa.

Clerk of Session: Clark C. Pollock, R. D. 2, Marion Center, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Mrs. J. P. Mitchel, R. D. 1, Rochester Mills, Pa.

First Beaver Falls – 209 Darlington Rd., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. D. Howard Elliott, D.D., 207 Darlington Rd., Beaver Falls, Pa. Installed 1947. Phone: Tilden 3-1213

Clerk of Session: Charles E. Belles, 1858 12th St., Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Raymond O. Hill, 3739 37th St. Ext., Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania

Central-Pittsburgh – Union Ave. and Parkway, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. James D. Carson, 328 Dunlap St., Pittsburgh Pennsylvania. Installed 1958. Phone: FAirfax 1-7159

Clerk of Session: R. K. McConaughy, 3024 Mt. Alister Rd., Pittsburgh 14, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: H. E. McKelvy, R. D. 4, Gibsonia, Pa.

College Hill – 3217 College Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. Frank H. Lathom, D.D., 3409 5th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania. Installed 1952. Phone: Tilden 6-0609

Clerk of Session: J. L. Coon, 107 Columba Drive, Chapel Valley, Aliquippa, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Dr. John S. McIsaac, 2829 Fourth Avenue, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania

Connellsville – Lawn Ave. and King St., S. W., Connellsville, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. Marion L. McFarland, 923 Morrell Ave., Connellsville, Pennsylvania. Installed 1958

Clerk of Session: Carl Murphy, 925 Morrell Ave., Box 783, Connellsville, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Samuel E. Fornwalt, 1411 Cambria Ave., Connellsville, Pennsylvania

Eastvale – 2nd Ave., Eastvale, Beaver Falls, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. J. Paul McCracken, 502 2nd Ave., Eastvale,

Beaver Falls, Pa. Installed 1954. Phone: Tilden 6-3298
Clerk of Session: Roy M. Adams, Ph.D., R. D. 2, Darlington,
Pennsylvania
Treasurer: H. C. Anderson, 326 2nd Ave., Eastvale, Beaver
Falls, Pennsylvania

Geneva - Fourth Ave. at 31st St., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. Herbert A. Hays, D.D., 415 31st St., Beaver
Falls, Pennsylvania. Installed 1956. Phone: Tilden 6-6877

Clerk of Session: J. Russell Lathom, 3004 Fifth Ave., Beaver
Falls, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: W. Stewart McCready, 4433 Fourth Ave., Beaver
Falls, Pennsylvania

Mercer - Market Street, Mercer, Pennsylvania

Clerk of Session: Raymond Rhodes, 328 W. Poplar St., Grove
City, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Miss Ruth Rodgers, No. 4 College Avenue,
Greenville, Pennsylvania

New Alexandria - New Alexandria, Pa., Phone: N. A. 15R21

Correspondent: Robert S. Kepple, R.D.2, New Alexandria,
Pennsylvania, Phone: N. A. 15R21

Clerk of Session: J. Elder Steele, 630 Chestnut Street,
Latrobe, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: R. L. Brown, 500 N. Second St., Jeannette, Pa.

New Castle - Oak and Pine Sts., New Castle, Pennsylvania

Pastor: Rev. Harold B. Harrington, 605 Oak St., New Castle,
Pa. Installed 1954. Phone: OLiver 4-9823

Clerk of Session: Kenneth Gaston, 11 N. King Ave., New
Castle, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Mrs. Louise Gaston, 11 N. King Avenue, New
Castle, Pennsylvania

Parnassus - Fifth and Freeport Streets, New Kensington, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. Robert R. Fullerton, 522 Riverview Dr., New
Kensington, Pa. Installed 1956. Phone: EDison 7-7530

Clerk of Session: Robert M. Young, LL.D., Harts Run Road,
Allison Park, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: Miss Edith Miller, 474 Summit Street, New Ken-
sington, Pennsylvania

Rehoboth - R.D. 3, Kittanning, Pennsylvania

Correspondent: H. B. White, 1035 Wilson Ave., Kittanning,
Pa. Phone: 3-5435

Clerk of Session: H. B. White, 1035 Wilson Ave., Kittanning,
Pennsylvania

Treasurer: H. B. White, 1035 Wilson Ave., Kittanning, Pa.

Union - Mars, Pennsylvania

Pastor: Rev. Armour J. McFarland, Box 551, Mars, Pa.
Installed 1956. Phone: NAtional 5-9928

Clerk of Session: Logan M. Crowe, 1204 Law and Finance
Building, Pittsburgh 19, Pa.

Treasurer: Mrs. James M. Sterrett, 1311 Termon Avenue,

Pittsburgh 12, Pa.**Rose Point – Rose Point, Pa.**

Correspondent: Ira Brown, R.D.4, New Castle, Pa.

Clerk of Session: Vance F. Wilson, R.D.2, Portersville, Pa.

Treasurer: Ralph H. Wilson, R.D.2, Portersville, Pa.

Wilksburg – South and Center, Wilksburg, Pa.

Pastor: Rev. C. E. Caskey, D.D., 810 South Ave., Pittsburgh 21, Pa. Installed 1957. Phone: PEnhurst 1-1248

Clerk of Session: Charles H. Haslett, 817 North Avenue, Pittsburgh 21, Pennsylvania

Treasurer: R. H. Stohner, 9212 Van Tine St., Pittsburgh 35, Pennsylvania

Youngstown – 3035 Hudson Drive, Youngstown, Ohio

Clerk of Session: Clyde Marshall, 1011 Fairview Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio

Treasurer: Glen George, 365 Afton Ave., Youngstown 12, Ohio

Ministers without Pastorates

Rev. R. A. Blair, D.D., R.D.6, New Castle, Pa.

Rev. David M. Carson, Geneva College, Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. Norman M. Carson, 3244 4th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. Robert Clarke, D.D., 3217 College Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. George S. Coleman, D.D., Ph.D., 3103 4th Avenue, Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. C. A. Dodds, 116 E. Hamilton Ave., University Park, Pa.

Rev. E. Clark Copeland, Larnaca, Cyprus

Rev. D. H. Elliott, D.D., Mars, Pa.

Rev. R. C. Fullerton, D.D., New Alexandria, Pa.

Rev. E. L. McKnight, D.D., 240 Thompson Run Road, Pittsburgh 9, Pa.

Rev. R. J. G. McKnight, Ph.D., D.D., 2700 Chapel Hill Drive, Pittsburgh 35, Pa.

Rev. T. C. McKnight, D.D., 720 Hill Ave., Pittsburgh 21, Pa.

Rev. Willard G. McMillan, 3417 5th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. Robert Park, D.D., McKinley Rd., R.D.1, Beaver Falls, Pennsylvania

Rev. J. R. Patterson, D.D., 109 Monitor Ave., Pittsburgh 2, Pa.

Rev. Kenneth G. Smith, 737 Midland St., Pittsburgh 21, Pa.

Rev. Robert B. Tweed, 1805 4th St., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. D. R. Wilcox, D.D., 3001 Steffin Hill Ext., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. J. B. Willson, D.D., 2727 5th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.

Rev. S. B. Willson, D.D., 2037 McNary Blvd., Pittsburgh 21, Pennsylvania

ROSTER OF ST. LAWRENCE PRESBYTERY

Moderator Rev. R. B. McCracken

Clerk Rev. F. F. Reade, D.D.

Young People's Secretary Rev. R. B. McCracken

Almonte – Almonte Street, Almonte, Ontario

Pastor: Rev. F. F. Reade, D.D., Box 102, Almonte, Ontario.

Canada. Installed 1953. Phone: Almonte 793 W
 Clerk of Session: William J. Burns, R.R.3, Carleton Place,
 Ontario, Canada
 Treasurer: Mrs. Milton Bowes, Box 25, Carleton Place,
 Ontario, Canada

Barnet – R. R. 1, Groton, Vermont

Pastor: Rev. J. Paul Wilson, R.R.1, Groton, Vermont. Instal-
 led 1952. Phone: Peacham, Vt. LYnwood 2-3253
 Clerk of Session: Milligan McLam, East Ryegate, Vermont
 Treasurer: James R. Faris, R.R.1, Groton, Vermont

Lisbon – Lisbon, New York

Pastor: Rev. Reid Stewart, Lisbon, N. Y. Installed 1959.
 Clerk of Session: James Smith, Lisbon, New York. Phone:
 Ogdensburgh 1767-M-2
 Treasurer: Luther Smith, Lisbon, New York

Lochiel – Glen Sandfield, Ontario, Canada

Pastor: Rev. R. H. McKelvy, Glen Sandfield, Ontario, Canada.
 Installed 1928. Phone: Lochiel 9, ring 11
 Clerk of Session: W. C. Jamieson, Glen Sandfield, Ontario,
 Canada
 Treasurer: J. W. Jamieson, Glen Sandfield, Ontario, Canada

Syracuse – 2517 South Salina Street, Syracuse, New York

Pastor: Rev. R. B. McCracken, 2507 S. Salina St., Syracuse 5,
 New York. Installed 1956. Phone: Syracuse GR 6-9238
 Clerk of Session: William Ramsey, 1 West Main St., Dryden,
 New York
 Treasurer: D. Raymond Park, S. Manlius, Fayetteville, N. Y.

Walton – East and Bruce Streets, Walton, N. Y.

Pastor: Rev. Waldo Mitchel, 115 Townsend, Walton, N. Y.
 Installed 1957. Phone: Walton UNderhill 5-5640
 Clerk of Session: Robert Russell, R. D., Walton, N. Y.
 Treasurer : Thomas D. Henderson, R. D., Walton, N. Y.

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2. LAKE RENO				93	89	79	10													3413	1213	3413	545						
3. MORNING SUN				187	183	136	47	2												7310	3713	7310							
4. SHARON				13	12	12														12461	3613	12461							
5. WINNIPEG				4	4															546	285	546	645						
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STATISTICS OF OHIO PRESBYTERY

FINANCES

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STATISTICS OF PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERY

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1. FRESNO	Total Members		1959	126	121	75	46	Baptized Members Not Prof.		Communicant Members		Present Balance		2655		
			1958	131	140	106	34					Total Expenditures		4963		
2. LOS ANGELES				39	45	35	10					Miscellaneous		1595		
3. PHOENIX				26	27	22	5					Bible Society		50		
4. PORTLAND				113	95	67	28					National Reform		50		
5. SAN DIEGO				76	74	66	8					Special Cov. Appeals		357		
6. SANTA ANA				77	80	57	23					Synod's Budget		350		
7. SEATTLE				12	12	12						Pastors' Salaries		2481		
Ministerial Members												Aid Received		3889		
												Total Receipts		7344		
												Previous Balance		274		
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Sabbath School		1959		122	124	124	20	N	Y	22	2010	6984			812	
		1958		6	71	75	5	Y	13	799	3119	1328	1191	226	33	
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Elders				4	5	122	122	20	N	Y	22	2010	6984			812
Prof. by Cov. Children				5	1	7	8	114	124	20	N	Y	22	2010	6984	812
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		Other Reasons		3	2	3	6	71	75	5	Y	13	799	3119	1328	1191
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		To Other Denom.		3	2	3	6	71	75	5	Y	13	799	3119	1328	1191
		To Cov. Cong.		5	1	7	8	114	124	20	N	Y	22	2010	6984	812
INCREASE		Total Increase		14	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	
		Restored		6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		From Other Denom.		10	3	25	28	2	6	80	97	15	Y	11	27	5291
		From Cov. Cong.		2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
		By Prof. of Faith		8	3	2	5	4	5	120	93	7	Y	18	5889	8586
		By Baptism		39	8	6	6	25	45	1	27	41	694	676	55	5
Baptized Members Not Prof.				154	19	14	4	2	39	8	6	6	25	45	1	
Communicant Members				440	154	19	14	4	2	39	8	6	6	25	45	1
Total Members		1959		588	594	440	154	19	14	4	2	39	8	6	6	25
		1958		588	594	440	154	19	14	4	2	39	8	6	6	25
TOTALS				588	594	440	154	19	14	4	2	39	8	6	6	25

APRIL 1, 1958 to March 31, 1959

STATISTICS OF PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERY

MEMBERSHIP

FINANCES

	Total Members		INCREASE						DECREASE						Baptized Members Not Prof		Communicant Members																	
	1959	1958	By Baptism	By Prof. of Faith	From Cov. Cong.	From Other Denom.	Restored	Total Increase	To Cov. Cong.	To Other Denom.	Deaths	Suspended	Other Reasons	Total Decrease	Prof. by Cov. Children	Elders	Deacons or Trustees	Sabbath School	C. Y. P. U.	Parsonage	Tithers	Previous Balance	Total Receipts	Aid Received	Pastors' Salaries	Synod's Budget	Special Cov. Appeals	National Reform	Bible Society	Miscellaneous	Total Expenditures	Present Balance		
1. ALLEGHENY	100	98	76	22	2			2	2	1	1			4	3	5	9	92	91	Y	50	3473	14356		3600	2676	517	227	128	4122	11270	6559		
2. BEAR RUN-MAHONING	28	26	21	5										2		3	5	10	8	N		958	2226		1060	190	63	10	15	1140	2478	706		
3. FIRST BEAVER FALLS	248	258	198	60	3	1	4	13	1	1	1		1	3	4	11	10	234	249	30	Y	50	2438	19424		4250	3900	816	111	110	11466	20653	1111	
4. CENTRAL-PITTSBURGH	166	154	114	40	4	3		7	3	10	3		3	19	6	9	127	120	27	Y	48	2088	15515		3600	2530	254	359	60	8241	15044	2559		
5. COLLEGE HILL	175	148	124	24	1	1	1	3	1	3			26	30	7	9	85	104		Y	4741	16317		4000	3808	1812	460	50	5785	15915	5143			
6. CONNELLSVILLE	71	63	54	9				1	1		1			8	9	1	3	50	38	Y		110	2735	1416	1400	70			1175	2645	200			
7. EASTVALE	105	109	78	31	5	2	3	10	6					6	1	3	2	130	130	12	Y	58	759	8813		3639	695	3150	28	36	876	8427	1145	
8. GENEVA	202	205	154	51	4	3	3	10	3	2			2	7	13	9	145	175	26	Y		12331	24426		4500	2740	3989	221	63	4427	35055 (-181-4)			
9. MERCER	38	34	20	14					2	2				4		3	2	32	28	N		737	3494		1462	1000		50	50	465	3028	1103		
10. NEW ALEXANDRIA	142	140	98	42	1	1		2	2				2	4	5	6	95	90	12	Y	70	1421	10672		1985	1897		98	60	2963	7003	3669		
11. NEW CASTLE	91	85	73	12	3	1	1	5	2	2	7		11	3	6	7	52	58	15	Y	10	375	7468		2875	563		10	4160	7609	234			
12. PARNASSUS	44	49	34	15	2	3		5							4	6	30	65	7	Y	14	3432	19508		3260	1633	6013		25	11741	22672	268		
13. REHOBOTH	12	12	12												2	2				N	3				260	160	75	60	30	24	609			
14. UNION	65	69	46	23	2	2	1	5		1			1	1	2	3	43	57	8	N	30	6	4840	700	2900	700	45	65	42	948	4700	140		
15. ROSE POINT	80	77	49	26						3			3	2	5	4	51	57	Y	25	1824	5607		1650	1200	84	50	25	2754	5763	1669			
16. WILKINSBURG	86	87	70	17				2		1			1	1	6	6	43	45	9	Y	18	830	13308		3060	1283	3	5	7977	12328	1810			
17. YOUNGSTOWN	40	38	25	13	1			1	2				1	3	4	2	44	30		Y		3103	4790		3000	238	15		1740	4993	2900			
Ministerial Members	33	33	33																															
On Presbytery's Roll	5	5	5																															
TOTALS	1698	1690	1284	406	28	10	17	11	66	10	31	16	7	43	107	16	88	96	1263	1345	146	13	376	38626	173499	2116	46501	25283	16836	1744	706	70004	179081	28611

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COLORADO PRESBYTERIAL														
DENVER	20	2	10	\$ 105	\$ 17	\$ 5	\$	\$	\$	\$ 21	\$ 3	\$ 10		
GREELEY W. M. S.	17	7	11	174	69	18	73	9	13	13	2	29		
GREELEY EVENING	13	3	9	170	29	21			10	20	1			
Total	50	12	30	\$ 449	\$ 115	\$ 44	\$ 73	\$ 9	\$ 23	\$ 54	\$ 6	\$ 39		
ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIAL														
BETHEL (SPARTA)	7		6	\$ 40	\$ 13	\$	\$	\$ 2	\$ 10	\$	\$	\$		
BLOOMINGTON W. M. S.	17	6	11	80	35	10	40	15		23	5	30		
BLOOMINGTON PHOEBES	17	6	13	75	58	89	30	20	10	29	4	119		
CHICAGO	14	2	8	85	76	7	20	20	10	41	5	256		
OAKDALE	10	4	8	124	61	96	35	62		15	4	16		
OAKDALE WILLING HANDS	18	4	12	200	21	103	32	20		10	5	44		
OLD BETHEL	10	3	7	160	30	111	28	8	5	264	3	3		
SELMA	20	3	15	34								4		
SELMA M. EVANS	13	2	8	48										
Total	126	30	88	\$ 846	\$ 294	\$ 416	\$ 185	\$ 147	\$ 35	\$ 382	\$ 30	\$ 468		
IOWA PRESBYTERIAL														
HOPKINTON	7	4	6	\$ 260	\$ 18	\$ 4	\$	\$ 18	\$	\$	\$ 2	\$		
LAKE RENO	12	0	8	147	37	17	29	10	10	10	1			
MORNING SUN	24	1	15	205	38		40	20	10	15	34	50		
SHARON	33	7	22	444		51			10	34	3			
Total	76	12	51	\$1056	\$ 93	\$ 72	\$ 69	\$ 48	\$ 30	\$ 59	\$ 40	\$ 50		
KANSAS PRESBYTERIAL														
BEULAH	5		3	\$ 4	\$	\$ 8	\$	\$ 25	\$	\$ 5	\$ 14	\$ 5		
CLARINDA	18		14	200	38		85	10		50	55	43		
DENISON	18	12	10	95	49	33	10			22	30			
ESKRIDGE	8	2	5	156	10	2	11	42	5	30	30	12		
HEBRON	21	4	14	103	30	13	40	10	10	10	81	55		
KANSAS CITY W. M. S.	10	8	9	191	50	13	17	5	10	22	18			
KANSAS CITY MISS. GUILD	15		12	78	29	13	17	10		14	64	34		
OLATHE	12	2	7	178	14	18	15	5		25	12	42		
QUINTER	11	2	7	287		25	75	50	25	50	55	50		
STAFFORD	7	2	5	154	30	13	25	25	10	9	8	10		
STERLING	40		26	214	14	36	59	16	18	31	50	6		
SUPERIOR	12		7	59	30	18	20	20	10		10	63		
TOPEKA	33	4	21	264	45	51		10	25	15	35			
WINCHESTER	25	1	14	219	34	45	11	65		10	29			
Total	325	37	154	\$2202	\$ 375	\$ 288	\$ 385	\$ 293	\$ 113	\$ 113	\$ 491	\$ 320		
NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAL														
ALMONTE	22		13	\$ 151	\$ 41	\$ 6	\$ 20	\$ 5	\$	\$ 23	\$ 5	\$ 25		
BARNET	8	5	8	127	19	13	11			3	3			
CAMBRIDGE	19	6	12	155	91	5				8	8	306		
COLDENHAM	20	1	10	145	76	5	25	10		49	41	230		
LISBON	9	1	8		13	2				7	2			
LOCHIEL	7		4	25	16	27	15			10	2			
MONTCLAIR	17	3	11	302	*160	185	30	10		144	5	72		
NEWBURGH	19		15	85	52	23	23		16	46	4	74		
NEW YORK W. M. S.	16	2	10	639	154	56	40	40		440	4	95		
NEW YORK MISS. GUILD	10	2	10	456	12	21	20				3			
SYRACUSE	24	5	15	530	110	83		22		60	5	15		
WALTON W. M. S.	5	5	3	239	20	17	11	13	10	28	2	25		
WALTON MISS. GUILD	8		8	133	27	11	5		5	4	2	20		
WHITE LAKE	9	2	5	48	33	19	10	10	10	17	3			
Total	193	32	132	\$3035	\$ 824	\$ 473	\$ 210	\$ 110	\$ 41	\$ 839	\$ 89	\$ 862		
OHIO PRESBYTERIAL														
BELLE CENTER	15	12	10	\$ 640	\$ 93	\$ 39	\$ 20	\$ 21	\$ 10	\$ 17	\$ 3	\$		
HETHERTON	19	2	12	100	65	26		10		16	3	35		
SOUTHFIELD	13	9	8	120	134	10	10	30	10	35	2	62		
Total	47	23	30	\$ 860	\$ 292	\$ 75	\$ 30	\$ 61	\$ 20	\$ 68	\$ 8	\$ 97		
PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERIAL														
FIRST PHOENIX	17	2	13	\$ 122	\$ 47	\$ 54	\$ 94	\$ 34	\$	\$ 22	\$ 10	\$ 208		
FRESNO	21	2	15	57	20	28	10	29	10	10	10	62		
LOS ANGELES COV. DTRS.	14	2	9	151	54	14	10	10	10	10	4	5		

*Designated for Synodical Special Project

STATISTICS OF LOCAL SOCIETIES (1958 - 1959)

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Society	(Membership)				(Financial Contributions)							
	Active Members	Honorary Members	Average Attendance	Thank Offering	Self-Denial	Synodical	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	Seminary	R. P. Home	Contributions to Presbyterial	Other Contributions
PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERIAL - Cont'd.												
LOS ANGELES COVENANTS	14	2	9	\$ 151	\$ 54	\$ 14	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 10	\$ 4	\$ 208
PORTLAND	13	1	12	75	31						7	10
SAN DIEGO WOMEN'S GLD.	12	4	8	26	10		20	5	10	10	4	
SANTA ANA W. M. S.	19	4	15	188	58	87	65	67	10	45	29	86
SANTA ANA KING'S DTRS.	10	10	8	53	25	15	30	80	5		5	60
SEATTLE	14	3	11	113	34			9		10	4	
Total	140	36	106	\$ 979	\$ 326	\$ 233	\$ 254	\$ 244	\$ 55	\$ 168	\$ 82	\$ 461
PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAL												
ORLANDO BUSINESS WMN.	13	7	10	\$ 84	\$ 27	\$ 40	\$ 21	\$ 14	\$ 10	\$ 5	\$ 5	\$ 38
ORLANDO SR.	17		12	131	51	26	61	41	27	22	5	48
THIRD PHILADELPHIA	16	10	13	719			860	225	10	221	5	370
UNITED PHILADELPHIA	16	23	13	205	110	15	30	30	10	252	5	159
Total	62	40	48	\$1139	\$ 188	\$ 81	\$ 972	\$ 310	\$ 57	\$ 500	\$ 20	\$ 615
PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERIAL												
ALLEGHENY	20	9	15	\$ 200	\$ 41	\$ 55	\$ 70	\$ 46	\$ 16	\$ 51	\$ 2	\$
BEAR RUN - MAHONING	8	2	5	53		15	10	30	10	27	1	34
CEN-PGH. EMMA ELLIOTT	18	4	15	226	74	30	10		5	46	2	45
COLLEGE HILL W. M. S.	17	2	12	135	75	30	60	60		42	32	35
COL. HILL R. W. REDPATH	13	4	11	120	80	20	100	60		26	2	15
COL. HILL HIGHLANDERS	13			89	65	13	30	30		12	1	
CONNELLSVILLE	12		9	19	9	21	40	20	10	12	1	35
EASTVALE W. M. S.	8		7	37	12		10	15		11	2	
ESTVLE. ETHYL COPELAND	16		12	50	38	5	10			17	2	
FIRST BEAVER FALLS W. M. S.	10	2	8	88	15	3	5	19	5	188	1	8
FIRST B. F. HILLTOP	26		18	192		96	30	35		43	2	123
GENEVA W. M. S.	7	1	6	33	16	12		32		6	1	
GENEVA L. McCracken	27	1	19	80	39	23					2	
NEW ALEXANDRIA W. M. S.	16	8	7	100	84	10	19	19		20	2	103
NEW ALEX. ALVA JACK	14	2	9	87	79	28	51	20		15	2	45
NEW CASTLE	11	3	9	128	45		50	50		23	24	
PARNAUSSUS W. M. S.	7	5	6	173	50	13	25	36	10	36	1	18
PARN. N. M. COPELAND	9		6	126	14		5	20		5	1	24
ROSE POINT W. M. S.	13	1	7	87	28	4		4		16	2	119
ROSE POINT MARY JANE	8		8	60	25	12	15			6	1	
UNION	17	3	8	97	20	20				136		
WILKINSBURG W. M. S.	15	8	8	223	27	34	153	134	20	25	2	15
WILKINSBURG EVENING	9		9	74	10	2	32	40			1	
YOUNGSTOWN	10	2	7	219	20	24	40	20	10	18	1	
Total	324	57	231	\$2696	\$ 866	\$ 470	\$ 765	\$ 690	\$ 86	\$ 781	\$ 88	\$ 619

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YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

	Members	Thank Offering	Self-Denial	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	R. P. Home	Contributions	Other
COLORADO PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Denver Missionettes Pres. - Mrs. Florence Driver, 1640 W. Hoyle Pl., Denver, Colorado	11	\$ X*	\$	\$	\$ 10	\$		\$ 25
KANSAS PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Olathe Y. W. M. S. Pres. - Mrs. Roger Brown, 1109 E. Cedar, Olathe, Kansas	17	117	8	10	13	7		23
NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Syracuse Missionettes Pres. - Miss Mary Matteson, 2404 S. Salina St., Syracuse 5, N. Y.	30	45	13	5		32		

* With W. M. S.

YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES
Continued

	Members	Thank Offering	Self-Denial	Foreign Missions	Home Missions	R. P. Home	Other Contributions
NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAL - Cont'd. Walton Missionettes Pres. - Miss Loretta Layton, 10 Harby St., Walton, N. Y.							
PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Central-Pittsburgh Centralites Pres. - Miss June M. Rinko, 421 Lockhart St., Pittsburgh 12, Pa.	49	\$ 62	\$ 22				
Eastvale Missionettes Pres. - Miss Sandra Hoschar, 300 Second Ave., Eastvale, Beaver Falls, Pa.							
First Beaver Falls Blue Banner Pres. - Miss Sally Schmidt, 1702 - 16th Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.							
Geneva Guild Pres. - Miss Nancy McFarland R. D. 1, Mercer Rd., Mew Brighton, Pa.							
Wilkesburg Missionettes Pres. - Mrs. David Patterson 4004 Northern Pike, Monroeville, Pa.							
Total	107	\$ 224	\$ 43	\$ 15	\$ 23	\$ 39	\$ 48

SUMMARY OF WOMEN'S SYNODICAL MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Number of Societies -----	84	Synodical Dues -----	\$ 155.
Active members -----	1253	Foreign Missions -----	\$ 2,943.
Honorary Members -----	297	Home Missions -----	\$ 1,912.
Average Attendance -----	870	Seminary -----	\$ 460.
Deceased Members -----	34	R. P. Home Dues -----	\$ 1,302.
Thank Offering -----	\$13,262	Other Contributions to R. P. Home -----	\$ 1,842.
Self-Denial -----	\$ 3,371	Contributions to Presbyterials -----	\$ 854.
Synodical Life & Mem. -----	\$ 325	Other Contributions -----	\$ 3,531.
Synodical Special Project -----	\$ 1,672	Total Contributions -----	\$31,629.

SUMMARY OF YOUNG WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Number of Societies -----	9	Foreign Missions -----	\$ 15.
Active Members -----	107	Home Missions -----	\$ 23.
Thank Offering -----	\$224.*	R. P. Home -----	\$ 39.
Self-Denial -----	\$ 43.*	Other Contributions -----	\$ 48.

* Thank Offerings and Self-Denial of some Y. W. M. S. are included in statistics of W. M. S.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF THE WOMEN'S SYNODICAL

	Members	Average Attendance	Thank Offering	To Missions	Contingent Fund	Other Contributions	Efficiency	Standard of Efficiency	Blue Banner Societies
ILLINOIS PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Bloomington Supt. - Mrs. Charles Cooper, 701 High St., Bloomington, Indiana Chicago Supt. - Miss Ruby Sinclair, 7320 S. Union Avenue, Chicago 21, Illinois Oakdale Supt. - Mrs. Lawrence Hood, Oakdale, Illinois Selma Supt. - Mrs. Rebecca Coleman Evans, 325 Jeff Davis Ave., Selma, Alabama Sparta Supt. - Mrs. Floyd Finley, R. R. 3, Sparta, Illinois	62	44	\$ 52	\$ 105	\$ 6	\$ 135	85%		1
IOWA PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Morning Sun Supt. - Mrs. J. E. McElroy, Morning Sun, Iowa Sharon Supt. - Mrs. J. O. Edgar, Morning Sun, Iowa	38	31	\$ 27	\$ 75	\$ 5	\$ 122	99%		2
KANSAS PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Clarinda Supt. - Mrs. Knox McCalla, Clarinda, Iowa Denison Supt. - Merlin Wing, Mayetta, Kansas Hebron Supt. - Mrs. Russell James, Clay Center, Kansas Kansas City Supt. - Mrs. Harold Faris, 5001 Harmony Lane, Parkville, Missouri Olathe Supt. Mrs. Frank L. Stewart, 443 E. Loula St., Olathe, Kansas Quinter Supt. - Mrs. Vernice Forman, Quinter, Kansas Sterling Paul Faris, Sterling, Kansas Superior Supt. - Mrs. Eugene W. Shaw, Bostwick, Nebraska	160	113	\$ 104	\$ 236	\$ 22	\$ 559	88%		4

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF THE WOMEN'S SYNODICAL
Continued

	Members	Average Attendance	Thank Offering	To Missions	Contingent Fund	Other Contributions	Standard of Efficiency	Blue Banner Societies
KANSAS PRESBYTERIAL - Cont'd.								
Topeka Supt. - Mrs. A. D. Robb, 1180 Garfield Ave., Topeka, Kansas								
Winchester Supt. - Mrs. Howard O'Neill, Winchester, Kansas								
NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAL - Total -----	35	25	\$ 55	\$ 82	\$ 6	\$ 102	89%	2
Almonte Supt. - Mrs. Alan Burns, R. R. 1, Box 3, Carleton Place, Ontario, Canada								
Cambridge Supt. - Mrs. Charles F. Millican, 410 Woburn St., Lexington, Mass.								
New York Supt. - Mr. Robert A. Henning, 1955 Andrews Ave., New York 53, N. Y.								
Walton Supt. - Mrs. Walter E. Bells, 35 Townsend St., Walton, N. Y.								
OHIO PRESBYTERIAL - Total -----	30	23	\$ 56	\$ 40	\$ 3	\$ 85	87%	2
Belle Center Supt. -								
Hetherton Supt. -								
Southfield Supt. -								
PACIFIC COAST PRESBYTERIAL - Total -----	47	31	\$ 10	\$ 65	\$ 1	\$ 120		
First Phoenix Supt. -								
Fresno Supt. -								
San Diego Supt. -								
Santa Ana Supt. -								
Seattle Supt. -								
PHILADELPHIA PRESBYTERIAL - Total -----	14	11	\$ 30	\$ 35	\$ 1	\$ 47	97%	2
Orlando Supt. - Mrs. J. Howard Worsham, Rt. 3, Box 340, Orlando, Florida								
United Covenanter Supt. - Mrs. P. D. McCracken, 36 W. Hillcrest Ave., Havertown, Pa.								

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF THE WOMEN'S SYNODICAL
Continued

	Members	Average Attendance	Thank Offering	To Missions	Contingent Fund	Other Contributions	Standard of Efficiency	Blue Banner Societies
PITTSBURGH PRESBYTERIAL - Total ----- Allegheny Supt. - Mrs. K. S. Edgar, 308 Dunlap St., Pittsburgh 14, Pa.	168	110	\$ 44	\$ 45	\$ 13	\$ 245	86%	4
Central - Pgh. Christ's Children Supt. - Dr. M. McKelvy, R. D. 1, Box 289, Gibsonia, Pa.								
College Hill Covenant Cadets Supt. - Rev. Norman Carson, Fourth Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.								
Connellsville Supt. - Mrs. Marion McFarland, 923 Morrell Ave., Connellsville, Pa.								
Bastvale Supt. - Mrs. J. Paul McCracken, 502 - 2nd Ave., Bastvale, Beaver Falls, Pa.								
First Beaver Falls Supt. - Mrs. Howard Elliott, 207 Darlington Rd., Beaver Falls, Pa.								
Geneva Supt. - Mrs. James Henery, 3215 Second Ave., Beaver Falls, Pa.								
Manchester Supt. - Miss Evelyn Bouch, Crystal Dr., New Kensington, Pa.								
New Alexandria Supt. - Mrs. C. C. Clark, 21 E. Grant St., Latrobe, Pa.								
Rose Point Supt. - Mrs. Mabel McElwain, R. D. 1, Ellwood City, Pa.								
Union Jet Cadets Supt. - Mrs. Armour McFarland, Box 551, Mars, Pa.								
Youngstown Supt. - Mrs. John Tweed, 3035 Hudson Dr., Youngstown 11, Pa.								

SUMMARY OF JUNIOR STATISTICS

No. of Juniors - - - - - 554
Average Attendance - - - - - 388
Juniors joined Church - - - - - 37
Average S. of E. - - - - - 90%
Blue Banner Societies - - - - - 17

Thank Offerings - - - - - \$ 379.
Contributed to Missions - - - - - \$ 683.
Contingent Fund - - - - - \$ 57.
Other Contributions - - - - - \$1415.
Total Contributions - - - - - \$2534

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